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## ANOTHER SPANISH CATASTROPHE.

### FORTRESS DESTROYED IN EXPLOSION.

### DOZENS KILLED IN MUNITION DUMP DISASTER.

### A NIGHT OF TERROR.

Madrid, Sept. 23.  
Barely recovered from the immediate shock of the fearful toll of lives exacted by the Novedades Theatre catastrophe on Sunday, the Spanish nation has been overtaken by another terrible disaster, the explosion of an ammunition dump at Melilla, a fortified Spanish settlement on the coast of Morocco.  
The dump exploded after dark this evening with a deafening roar, creating frightful havoc in the vicinity and causing a heavy loss of life, and hundreds of minor casualties.  
Appalling Tragedy.  
Fortunately, the munitions depot which was destroyed was a little distance out of town, or the results would have been far more serious than is revealed by messages from the stricken town, though the available details show that an appalling tragedy has occurred.  
Fort Gabrizar, the scene of the disaster, was originally on the outskirts of the town, away from dwelling-houses, but it has been surrounded recently by numerous native houses, the majority of which were blown to smithereens when the dump went up.  
40,000 lbs. of Powder.  
Official messages reveal that the explosion occurred in a building containing approximately 40,000 lbs. of black powder. The cause is at present unknown.  
Early reports placed the casualty list at forty killed, and 200 injured, but as further news is received it is disclosed that the figures are a considerable under-estimation.  
The latest official information regarding the explosion, for instance, shows that among the civilian population alone, 51 persons, men, women and children, have been killed and that the number of injured exceeds two hundred.  
Dozens Blown To Pieces.  
The military casualties, both European and native, are extremely heavy. Dozens of soldiers living in the fort must have been literally blown to pieces, and it is probable that the total of dead and wounded will be ascertainable for some time.  
From eye-witnesses' accounts of the tragedy, it is gathered that the explosion occurred late in the evening when audiences were emerging from theatres and cinemas and when the streets were crowded with people wending their way home.  
Flash in the Sky.  
A sudden flash rent the sky, followed by a terrific detonation which shook the earth for miles around.  
Missiles of every shape and description, splinters of glass, chimneys of pots, huge stones, and showers of mud and sand rained on the streets. The first impression of the population was that an earthquake had visited the city, and the crowds in the streets were panic-stricken, hundreds of others dashing from their homes adding to the confusion.  
Fortress Now a Crater.  
Nothing is left of the fortress. All that remains to be seen is a huge funnel-shaped crater, bordered by blocks of stones.  
The authorities immediately undertook rescue work, but though hundreds of willing workers rendered all assistance, the task was seriously impeded owing to the complete darkness.—*Reuter.*

## AFTER MANY DAYS AND DANGERS.

### WOULD-BE ATLANTIC FLIERS IN CIVILISATION.

### HASSELL AND CRAMER.

Copenhagen, Sept. 26.  
Survivors of two perilous adventures, Messrs. Hassell and Cramer, the American airmen, arrived today in a Danish steamer.  
They were warmly greeted by Mr. H. Perceval Dodge, the American Minister to Denmark, who was accompanied by several representatives of the Danish Aeronautical Society and other notabilities.  
Hassell, the principal pilot of the "Greater Rockford", which made a forced descent on the south-east coast of Greenland through petrol shortage, declared that he will make another attempt to fly from America to Stockholm via Greenland in 1929.  
It will be recalled that after their plane had descended in a remote and desolate district in Greenland, Messrs. Hassell and Cramer abandoned the machine and trudged across country towards Mount Evans.  
After a fortnight's travel on short rations, when they were almost exhausted, smoke signals sent up by the airmen attracted the attention of the Greenland Expedition under Professor Hobbs, who went to their rescue.  
Subsequently while in a motor-boat with members of the Hobbs' party, Hassell and his companion were wrecked, the vessel striking a reef and sinking. No lives were lost.—*Reuter.*

## INTERNATIONAL AMITY IN SHANGHAI.

### WARM SEND-OFF FOR COLONEL DAVIS.

Shanghai, Sept. 27.  
International solidarity was attested at the Customs jetty on the occasion of the departure of Colonel Davis, commanding the American marines here.  
The Guard of Honour included French and British regulars and Volunteers.  
Colonel Davis declared in an interview that he was greatly impressed by Shanghai's hospitality, and most gratified at the evidences of Anglo-American friendship. He also praised the British officers and men as a fine body and said he would proudly cherish memories of their association in a common cause.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

## FISHING BOAT TURNS TURTLE.

### AGED WOMAN MEMBER OF CREW DROWNED.

A report from Aberdeen police Station to the effect that fishing boat No. 2748 H.O., whilst proceeding to the fishing grounds off Deep Water Bay at 2 p.m. yesterday, was overturned in a sudden squall when off Applehau.  
The junk turned turtle and it was later ascertained that an aged woman, one of the members of the junk's crew, had been imprisoned in the sleeping quarters, and, before the junk could be righted, had been drowned.  
With the righting of the junk, the body of the unfortunate woman was recovered and later conveyed to the mortuary.

## SERIOUS FLOODS IN MEXICO.

### MANY FATALITIES IN HOUSE COLLAPSES.

Mexico City, Sept. 26.  
Serious floods have been responsible for extensive damage and many casualties on the west coast.  
At least fifteen persons were killed in the collapse of a number of houses in Jalisco, while dozens have been injured.  
Jalisco, Sinaloa and the penal colony on the Mariscal Islands have been the biggest sufferers from the floods.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## MACAO BOUNDARY QUESTION.

### CHINESE DESIRE FOR NEGOTIATIONS.

### LIGHT THROWN ON DR WANG'S RECENT TELEGRAM.

### DIFFICULT QUESTION.

Considerable surprise was caused by a telegram issued for publication in all the Canton newspapers on Tuesday to the effect that Dr. C. T. Wang had instructed Mr. Chu Chao-hsin, the Canton Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, "to look into the matter of taking over the Portuguese Colony of Macao."  
Further light is, however, thrown on the subject by an overnight telegram from Shanghai which states that Dr. Wang has telegraphically communicated with Mr. Chu asking him to prepare for negotiations with the Macao Government in regard to the delimitation of the Sino-Portuguese boundary at Macao.  
The total sum to be annually secured under the scheme is \$10,000,000, which will meet the requirements of four loans.

## SALT GABELLE TO CONTINUE.

### Foreign Employees Likely To Be Retained.

### RECENT FEARS DISSIPATED.

Peking, Sept. 27.  
It is believed that the scheme for the payment of the service of loans secured on the salt revenues will mean the continuance of the Salt Gabelle Administration—which it was recently feared would completely collapse—as well as the retention of foreign employees therein.  
The total sum to be annually secured under the scheme is \$10,000,000, which will meet the requirements of four loans.

## tion of the Sino-Portuguese boundary at Macao.

This would appear to be the correct version of Dr. Wang's communication to the Canton Foreign Commissioner, for this delimitation question has often been the subject of Sino-Portuguese conversations.  
The occupation of the Macao peninsula by the Portuguese dates from 1557, but there were subsequently constant disputes regarding the extent of Portuguese jurisdiction, and it was only in 1887 that Portugal's sovereign rights were formally recognised by China.  
There has, however, been incessant friction between the Chinese and Portuguese since that date, and the question of the delimitation of the boundaries still remains unsettled. Up to 1849, the Portuguese paid a yearly rental for the peninsula.  
Conferences Recalled.  
It will be recalled that in 1909, Portugal sent out General Machado to the East, in an effort to settle the boundary issue, it being then hoped to draw up a Convention with the Chinese authorities on the subject. The Chinese commissioner, Kao, came to Hongkong for the purpose, but after some three months in discussion it was found impossible to reach an agreement.  
At these conferences, the Portuguese commissioner suggested that the matter be referred to The Hague for settlement, but the Chinese commissioner adhered to his view that the Portuguese held Macao as "a mere leasehold."  
Two years later, a Commission was appointed in Lisbon to determine the matter, and after many sittings this Commission made a report to the Foreign Office.  
Another Effort.  
Then in 1921, the Colonial Office drew up a memorandum on the subject for the Washington Conference, in the hope that the matter would be settled along with other Eastern questions which were to be dealt with. But this movement also failed, as the Canton Government were not represented at the Conference.  
Since then, the boundary issue has remained in abeyance.

## THE CHELTENHAM BYE-ELECTION.

### CONSERVATIVES SUCCEED IN TRIANGULAR CONTEST.

### TITLED CANDIDATES.

London, Sept. 26.  
The Conservatives have retained Cheltenham as a result of the bye-election caused by the death of Sir James Agg-Gardner. The polling resulted as follows:  
Sir Walter Preston (Con.) ... 10,438  
Sir John Brunner (Lib.) ... 6,878  
Miss Florence Widdowson (Lab.) ... 3,903  
Conservative majority ... 3,760  
—*Reuter.*

At the General Election in 1924, there was a straight fight between Conservative and Liberal candidates, the result being—Sir James Agg-Gardner (Con.), 11,909; Mr. J. S. Holmes (Lib.), 9,146.  
The new member for Cheltenham, Sir Walter Preston, has previously served in Parliament, having sat for the Mlle End Division from 1918 to 1923. He also unsuccessfully contested East St. Pancras in January, 1910, and Stepney in December, 1910. He is a Director of Messrs. J. Stone and Co., Ltd., being largely interested in engineering, whilst from 1914 to 1918 he was Master of the Avon Vale Foxhounds.  
The late Sir James Agg-Gardner had represented Cheltenham from 1874, with certain interludes, having ten times successfully contested the Division out of thirteen elections. He was at the time of his death the oldest M.P., and was Chairman of the Kitchen Committee of the House of Commons, which earned for him the nickname of "Minister of the Interior." He was found dead in his bedroom at the Carlton Club last month.

## CAPTURED LADY MISSIONARY.

### MISS TOBIN STILL IN BANDITS' HANDS.

The only definite information available at the moment regarding Miss Tobin, who was captured over a week ago by bandits operating between Wuchow and Kweilin, is that she had not been released up to Tuesday night.  
Bishop Holden, the head of the Church Missionary Society in Kwangsi, is now at Chingping, the magistrate of which place has been ordered to make every effort to secure the release of Miss Tobin.  
The troops sent by the Kwangsi Government to the district where the bandits are supposed to have taken Miss Tobin are still continuing their search.

## NANKING INCIDENT ADJUSTED.

### SINO-ITALIAN AGREEMENT REACHED.

Shanghai, Sept. 27.  
A report from Peking states that the agreement for the Sino-Italian settlement of the Nanking Incident has been signed by the Italian Minister there.  
It is understood that the Italian Minister is sending the original copy of the agreement to the Italian Consul General in Shanghai, instructing him to exchange original copies with Dr. C. T. Wang, the Foreign Minister of the Nanking Government.—*Nam Chung Pao.*

## BLAZING PLANE RESCUE.

### TRAPPED MECHANIC

A light aeroplane, piloted by Squadron-Leader S. H. Cole, crashed at Northolt aerodrome recently and immediately burst into flames and was destroyed.  
Squadron-Leader Cole was thrown clear, but his passenger, Leading Aircraftman A. E. Dunlop, attached to No. 24 (Communication) Squadron, was caught in the wreckage. He was dragged out by Squadron-Leader Cole.  
The aeroplane in its descent, it is stated, struck the roof of a building on the aerodrome, and then crashed heavily to the ground and heeled over. The exact cause of the accident, however, is not yet known.

## A BADLY FOUNDED COMPLAINT.

### EUROPEAN COUPLE'S CLAIM FAILS.

### JUDGE'S COMMENTS ON TRIP TO AUSTRALIA.

### DISBELIEVED STORY.

The complaint of a European couple that they were locked out of their lodgings by their landlady and forced to reside in a hotel, was dealt with by Mr. Justice Jacks in the Summary Court this morning when he delivered judgment for the defendant in the action brought.  
The plaintiffs, Mr. and Mrs. A. Howarth, residing at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, were represented by Mr. H. C. Macnamara, while Mr. L. R. Young, defendant, was represented by Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jr.  
In his judgment, Mr. Justice Jacks said:  
The plaintiffs in this action are Mr. and Mrs. A. Howarth who, after residing in Kowloon for some time, decided in July to seek rooms on this side of the harbour. They got into communication with the defendant, Mrs. L. R. Young, and eventually agreed to take a room from her at No. 2a, Queen's Road Central, for \$55 from August 1. The plaintiffs say they only took the room for one month; the defendant says they took it for an indefinite period subject to one month's notice on either side.

## RUMOUR-SPREADING BY LONDON PAPER.

### Air Pact With France Denied Categorically.

### STORY ENTIRELY UNTRUE.

London, Sept. 26.  
Following a report in a London newspaper that France and Britain has reached an air agreement, the Foreign Office states that there has been no agreement or understanding of any kind with France regarding aerial matters that has not been published, and that all rumours to the contrary are entirely untrue.—*Reuter.*

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## Notice Refused.

The plaintiffs paid \$55, being one month's rent in advance. The money was paid to each of the defendants on the premises.  
Nothing of consequence happened until August 14, after the plaintiffs had been in occupation of the defendant's room for a fortnight, when Mr. Howarth remarked at lunch that they were sailing for Australia on August 31.  
This was a great surprise for the defendant, who spoke to Mrs. Howarth about it after the meal, and asked if the plaintiffs were really going at the end of the month and if they intended to give her notice, as she would expect rent in lieu of a month's notice. Mrs. Howarth refused to give notice. From that time forward relations between the parties appear to have been somewhat strained.

## DERBY COUNTY DROP NEEDED POINT.

### DEFENCES TOO GOOD FOR THE ATTACK.

London, Sept. 26.  
Defeated by three clear goals at Bolton on Saturday, Derby County dropped another valuable point today, The Arsenal forcing a draw at Derby. Neither side succeeded in penetrating the opposing defence.  
In spite of the loss of three points in the last two matches, Derby County now occupies third place in the First Division table.—*Reuter.*

## FAIR WEATHER.

To-day's Observatory report states that an anticyclone is central over Korea. A trough of low pressure extends from Indo-China to Guam. Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the North China Sea. The forecast till noon tomorrow is:—N.E. winds, fresh, fair.  
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## THE CONSERVATIVE CONFERENCE.

### BIG GATHERING OPENS TO-DAY AT YARMOUTH.

### SAFEGUARDING ISSUE.

London, Sept. 26.  
No fewer than 2,600 delegates to the Conservative Conference have arrived at Yarmouth, and, at the sessions which will begin to-morrow, several leading members of the Cabinet, eighty Conservative Members of Parliament and fifty Conservative candidates will take part.  
One of the most important subjects to be discussed is that of the safeguarding of industries by specific duties on imported goods.  
There are thirteen resolutions on the agenda bearing on this subject, but the debate will probably be confined to a resolution, to be moved by Sir Henry Page Croft, calling for the widest possible extension of safeguarding consistent with the Prime Minister's election pledge.  
It is anticipated that Mr. Baldwin, in his public speech to-morrow night at Yarmouth, will deal in some detail with this question and with that of migration within the Empire as the contribution towards the solution of the unemployment problem.—*British Wireless.*

## BIG MALAYAN TIN COMBINE.

### NEW CONCERN BEING FORMED IN LONDON.

London, Sept. 26.  
The Tin Election Trust and Anglo-Oriental Mining Corporation, Limited, are sponsoring the formation of a new combine of Malayan tin-producing undertakings, to be known as the London Malayan Tin Trust, Limited.  
The new trust, in which sixteen important companies with a combined output approximating to 12 per cent. of the total world production will be associated, will have an authorised capital of £2,000,000.—*British Wireless.*

## BRITISH TROOPS ON SHAMEEN.

### DETACHMENT NOW BEING WITHDRAWN.

Shameen, Sept. 26.  
The detachment of the King's Own Scottish Borderers is leaving us to-day, returning to Hongkong this morning aboard H.M.S. Moth. Only a few men are being left up here to clear up, as the present detachment is not being replaced.  
It is a coincidence that the King's Own Scottish Borderers were the first detachment to come up to Shameen and are the last to leave it.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

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## LEAGUE'S SERVICE TO THE EAST.

### LORD LYTTON RETAILS HOME TRUTHS.

### STRONGLY CRITICAL OF HEAVY EXPENDITURE.

### INDIA'S FAITH WAVERS.

Geneva, Sept. 26.  
A strongly critical note was struck by Lord Lytton at the closing meeting of the Ninth Assembly of the League of Nations to-day, based upon the budget request.  
Lord Lytton represents India on the Assembly, and he entered a strong protest against the steady increase in the League expenditure. He argued that there was nothing in present circumstances to justify exceptional expenditure, and declared his opinion that the increase was caused by the inadequacy and defective nature of the methods of controlling and limiting spending.  
Little Value to East.  
India, he said, found it extremely difficult to justify the largely increased contribution to the funds of the League required of her by the heavy budget.  
There was a widespread view in India that the League of Nations was of very little value to Eastern countries and that its tendency was definitely in the direction of strengthening European interests at the expense of other countries and races.  
Is It Worth the Price.  
He reminded the Assembly that the question had often been discussed in India whether membership of the League of Nations was worth the price, and he feared that if the League expenses continued on anything like the present plane, the time might come when the government of India would find it impossible to answer in the affirmative.  
Profoundly Dissatisfied.  
Lord Lytton said he felt bound to enter his protest on behalf of the Indian delegation who were profoundly dissatisfied with this year's budget.  
Further discussion ensued, after which the vote was taken, the budget being adopted.  
An analysis of the voting shows that eighteen countries, including Great Britain and Canada voted in favour of the Budget, and six, including India and New Zealand against.  
The eleven abstentions included Australia.  
For Unanimity.  
After the President had announced the result of the vote, India and others withdrew their opposition for the sake of unanimity.  
The Assembly subsequently discussed the plan for the peaceful settlement of international disputes, and the model treaties of non-aggression and mutual assistance.  
Non-Leaguers Invited.  
The Assembly adopted the proposals submitted and instructed the Secretary-General to communicate a model draft of the peaceful settlement treaties to all nations who are members of the League of Nations, and to the following non-members: Afghanistan, Brazil, Costa Rica, the United States of America, Egypt, Ecuador, Mexico, Soviet Russia and Turkey.  
The Secretary-General was further instructed to inform them that the League Council was prepared to offer their services in the negotiation of such treaties if this was desired.  
This concluded the business of the Ninth Assembly of the League, which has now closed.—*Reuter.*

## Disarmament Problem.

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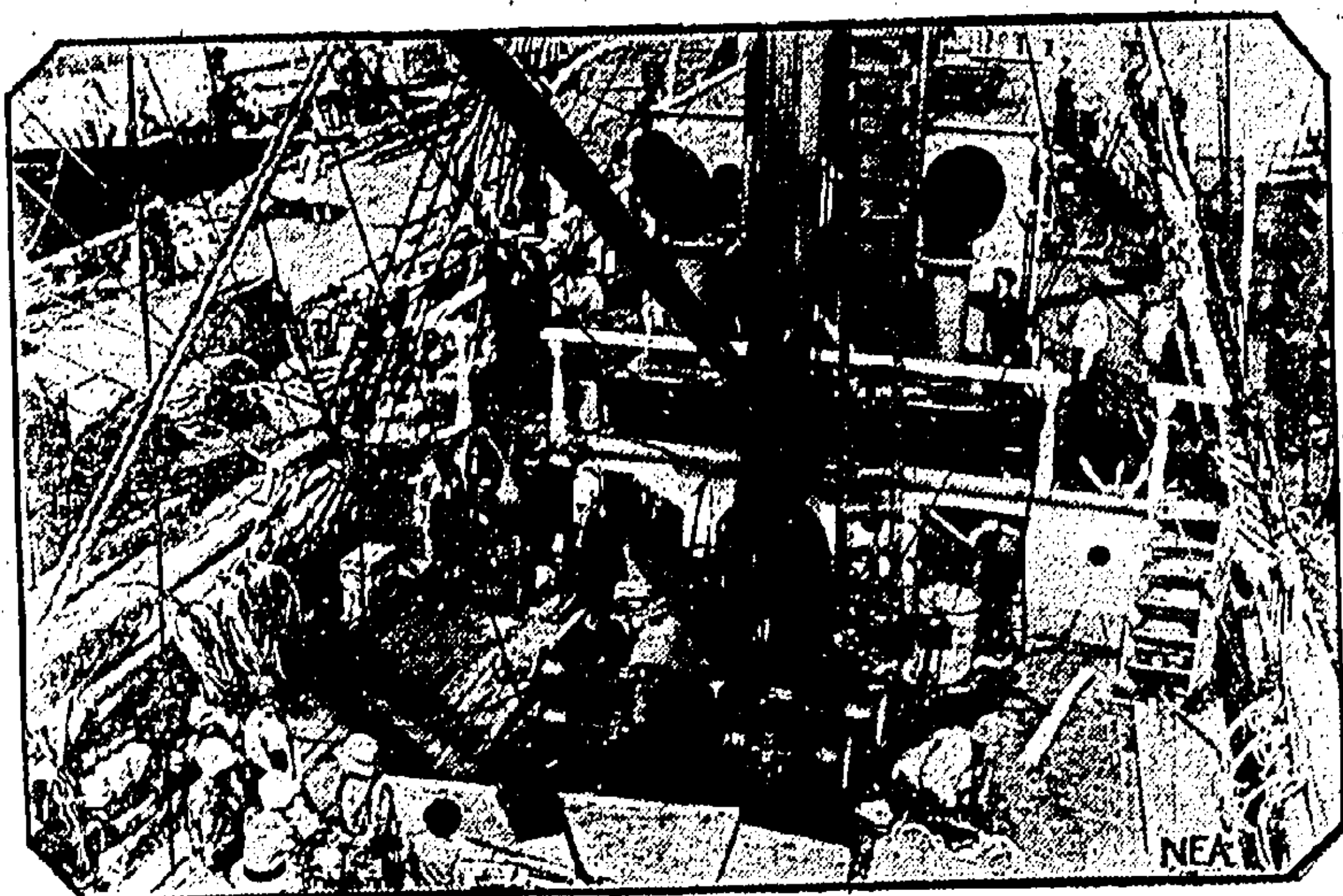
This picture, snapped a few moments after the New York subway crash, and transmitted by telephone to San Francisco, shows one of the Times Square subway entrances leading to the scene of the disaster, with ambulances and fire trucks gathered around for rescue and first aid work.



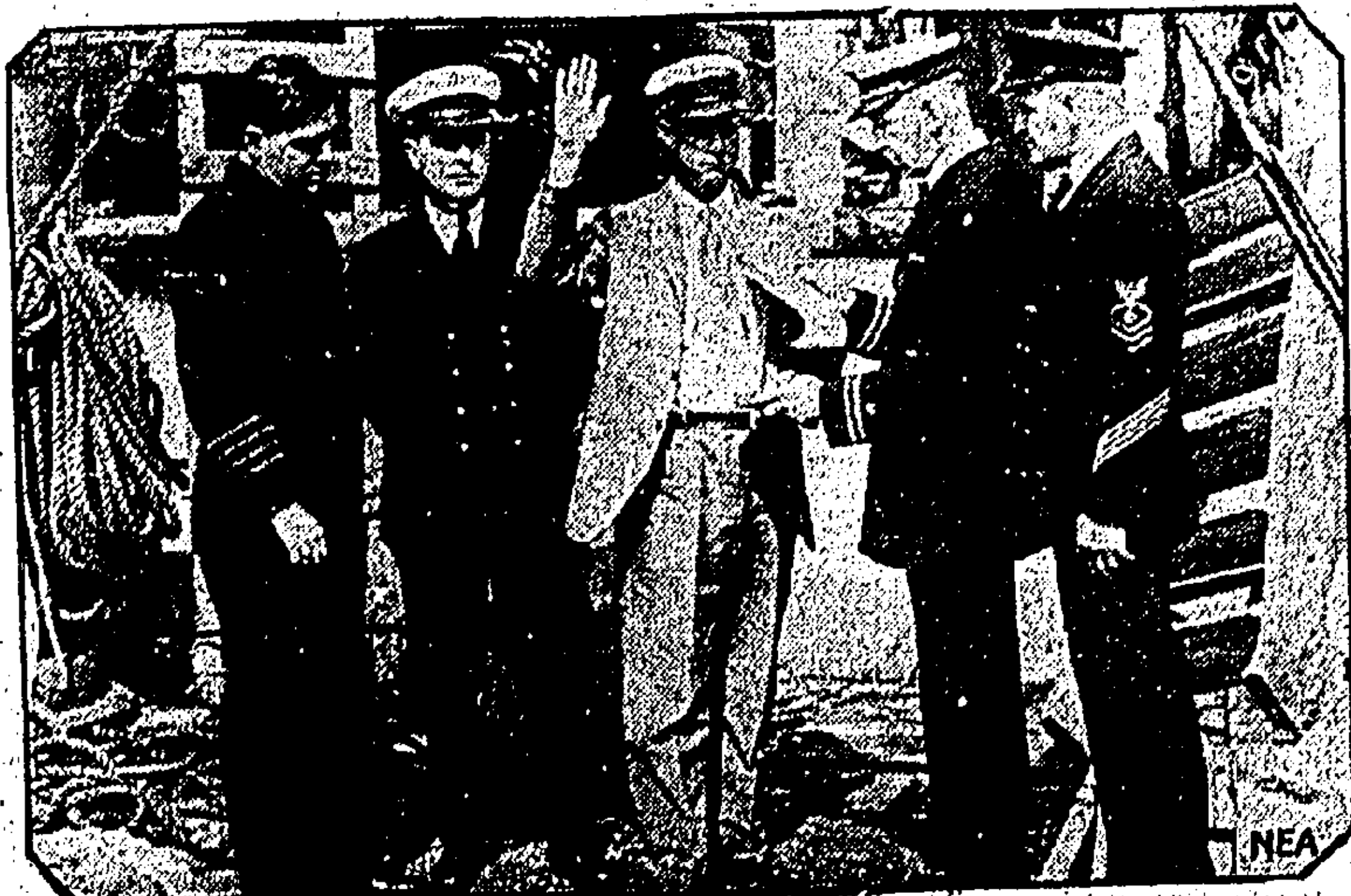
Dr. Lang, who will formally take over his new position as Archbishop of Canterbury in November.



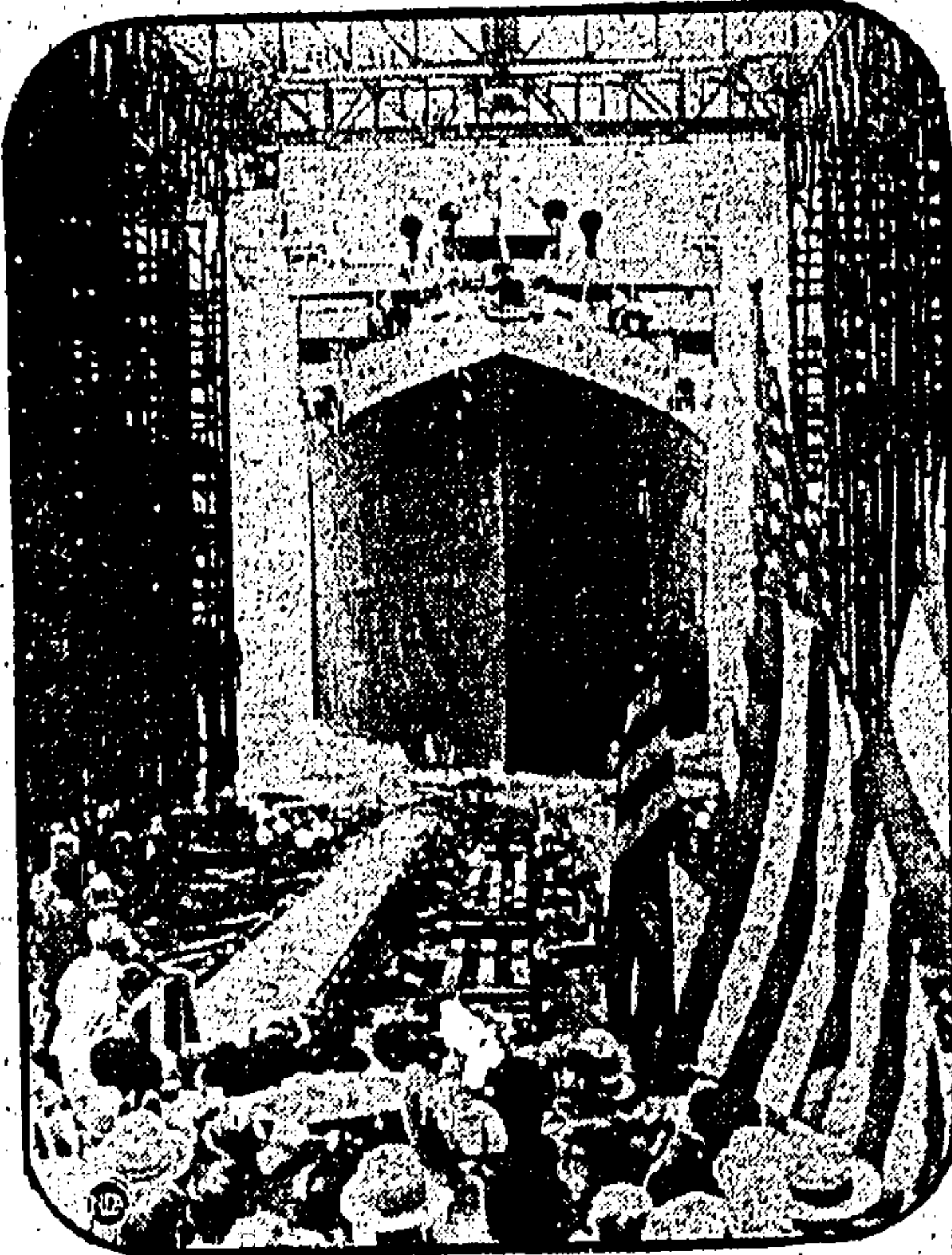
The above photo was taken in Shanghai recently, at the Municipal Services Club grounds on the Race Course, the occasion being the annual tournament between the tennis sections of the Yangtzepoo Lawn Bowls Club and the Municipal Services Club. Yangtzepoo won.



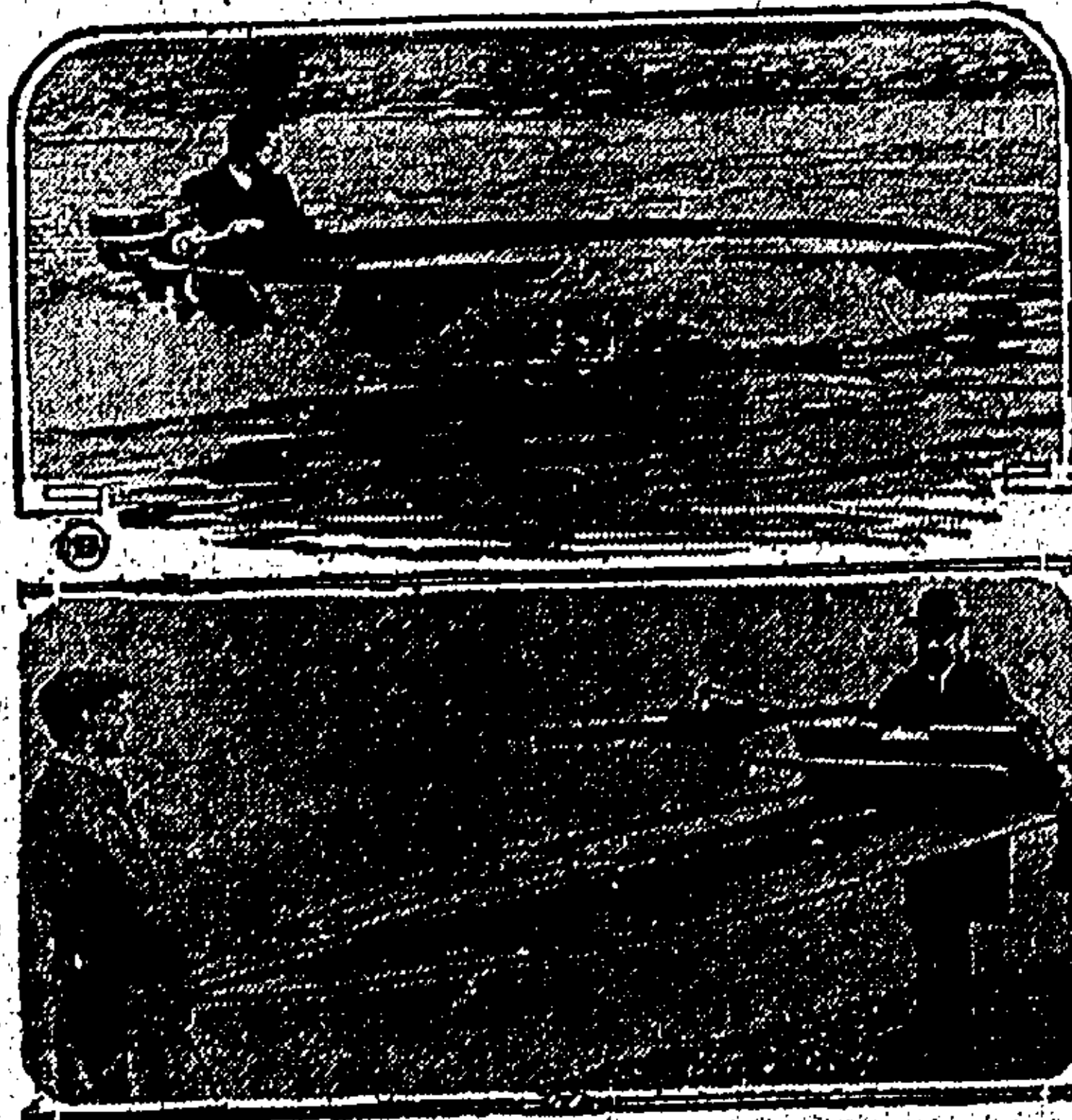
The deck of the Samson, Commander Byrd's base ship for the Antarctic expedition, is shown after the craft was taken out of drydock at New York, where it had undergone a complete overhauling. Still a maze of temporary rigging, the sail-and-power boat is being given the last touches by workmen before the party sails for South Polar seas and a two-year period of exploration. The Samson cost \$40,000.



The skipper of the Samson, Byrd's Antarctic ship, is shown accepting the commission of Lieutenant-Commander in the Naval Reserve of the U. S. Merchant Marine. The ceremony was performed on the deck of the Samson.



The launching of the electrically-driven "Virginia" at Newport News, recently. She is of 34,000 tons displacement.



Pictures taken along the Thames, showing the new folding motor-boat. The boat can go 30 miles an hour.

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The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Club Premises on Friday, the 28th September, 1928, commencing at 5.30 p.m.

L. E. LONGBOTTOM,  
Hon. Secretary.

G. R.  
NOTICE.

The Hongkong Government invites tenders for the purchase of a Priestman Grab Dredger. For further particulars apply to the Director of Public Works.

G. R.

Particulars and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 1st day of October, 1928, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Lot	Boundary Measurements	Area	Upset Price
1	Lot 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.	1,000 sq. ft.	\$5,000

## NOTICE.

At the request of Mr. Mathieu, Public Notary at Saigon, the undersigned, Acting-Chancellor of the French Consulate in Hongkong, informs those whom it may concern that the sale of s.s. "Hwah Cheng" has been agreed upon between the owners, the South China Steamship Company of Shanghai, and the buyers, the Firm of Yee Cheong & Co., of Saigon.

Should any person have any claim or liens of such a nature as to prevent or obstruct the sale or postpone the payment of the purchase money, they are requested to make or produce the same within fourteen days from the date of this notice, at the office of the French Consulate in Hongkong, Alexandra Building, Top Floor, Room No. 23.

After the above mentioned period of fourteen days the sale will be completed and no claims or liens against the s.s. "Hwah Cheng" will be effective or entertained thereafter.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1928.

Le Chancelier-Substitut  
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### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that THE SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, 2, Lower Albert Road, Hongkong on FRIDAY, 12th October, 1928, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts, and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 28th September to the 12th October, 1928, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors,

M. MANUK,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1928.

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## Lammert's Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on SATURDAY, the 29th September, 1928, commencing at 10.30 a.m. at their Sales Room, Duddell Street,

A Large Quantity of Gold and Colour Silk Embroideries,

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Silk Stockings, Dresses, Hats and Sundries.

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### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on MONDAY,

the 1st October, 1928, commencing at 11 a.m., at No. 4, Minden Avenue, Kowloon

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

(Catalogues will be issued).

On view from Sunday, the 30th September, 1928.

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### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on MONDAY,

the 1st October, 1928, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at No. 2, Quarry Point

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

Comprising:—

Chesterfield Couch and Chairs, Teak Book Case, Pictures, Carpet, Table Fans, Brass Ornaments, etc., etc.

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Hongkong, Sept. 24, 1928.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on TUESDAY,

the 2nd October, 1928, commencing at 5.15 p.m. at their Sales Room, Duddell Street,

A Valuable Collection of Postage Stamps.

(Particulars from Catalogue.)

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Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

## MACAO RACES.

### DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the TENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING

to be held on

SUNDAY, 14th October, 1928.

(Weather Permits) may be obtained from the I. R. C. Macao, Cassaway Bay

Stables and Racer Advertising Co.

Entries CLOSE at Macao 2.30 p.m. WEDNESDAY, 3rd October, 1928.

## MACAO CHARITY AND COMMERCIAL FAIR.

### NOTICE.

The General Committee of the Macao Charity and Commercial Fair announce that the opening date of the Fair has been officially fixed for 3rd November, 1928, at 9 p.m. weather permitting, and the closing date on the 22nd December, 1928.

JOAQUIM A. DOS SANTOS, Chairman.

## STRIKERS FIRED ON.

### LABOUR TROUBLE IN DUTCH EAST INDIES.

Batavia, Sept. 19.

Trouble with disaffected employees at Billiton, the important mining centre, and an attack on police which culminated in the latter firing a volley, is reported.

It appears that owing to quarrels over the payment of wages a thousand labourers in the Klappa Kampit section of the Billiton Company proclaimed a strike and began to behave in an unruly manner. Two brigades of field police thereupon were sent to the district.

While the police were on their way they met a crowd of three hundred strikers armed with stones, clubs, and iron bars. The latter attacked the police and slightly injured eight constables and their commanding officer.

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## LETTER GOLF.

A FIRE PLUG usually has a "one for parking" sign near it, but in letter golf you'll have to park while to get the solution.

**FIRE**

**PLUG**

1—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in par, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW to Hen, in three strokes, COW, HOW HEW HEN.

2—You can change only one letter at a time.

3—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 27, 1928.

## ACTION NEEDED.

Whilst there are very definite provisions in the laws of the Colony aiming at the protection of the public from the activities of "quack" medical practitioners, there would appear to be nothing in our Ordinances to prevent unqualified masseurs, from setting up in business here. As a consequence, there has sprung up in our midst in recent years a large number of establishments, mostly Japanese, some of which, we are informed, are anything but that which they are represented to be. Many, however, are perfectly genuine, and these perform an extremely useful function, the practitioners engaged therein being often recommended by members of the medical profession. Massage, indeed, has now become a distinct branch of medical science, but careful training and expert knowledge are essential if the full benefits of treatment are to be secured.

According to information supplied to us through local Japanese sources, very many of the establishments set up with the alleged object of providing massage treatment are, in actual fact, used for other purposes, which it is not necessary to specify. This is the cause of much dissatisfaction on the part of qualified masseurs, who state that their own businesses often come in for unjustified suspicion as a consequence, and, what is more, that they are periodically visited by people who have mistaken ideas regarding the nature of the establishment. One or two cases of this character have been mentioned to us, in which qualified women have suffered experiences of a most objectionable nature. There is another aspect of the matter—namely, the harm that can be done by untrained practitioners who have little or no knowledge of anatomy. There are many such in Hongkong who advertise themselves as masseurs, we are told, and although the public can secure some measure of protection by only patronising those places which are recommended by their medical advisers, it certainly is not a good thing that patients should be exposed to the danger of unscientific treatment at the hands of the unaccomplished practitioners. In this matter it ought to be possible for the authorities to insist on the

possession of certain specified diplomas before persons are permitted to take up practice here. Our informant tells us that in Singapore no masseur is allowed either to advertise himself or to exhibit his business sign unless he is the holder of some such diploma. Whether this is the case or not, there would appear to be good reason for insisting on some such requirement here in Hongkong.

The chief grievance of the proprietors of genuine massage establishments, however, is that so many of these places are masquerading under that name for highly disreputable purposes. So much, it is said, can be ascertained from the fact that some of these premises are little else than a series of cubicles accommodating women who have no knowledge whatever of the art. One such place was recently visited by a resident who needed treatment, but he soon beat a retreat when he realised the real character of the establishment. On the other hand, many of the genuine establishments are in charge of fully-qualified Japanese, who have spent many years and considerable sums of money in training. These, quite naturally, resent being associated in the public mind with quarters of quite another type, and they assuredly deserve some protection from the authorities along the lines we have indicated.

## Simon Commission.

Well-wishers of India will derive much satisfaction from Sir John Simon's farewell speech at the Aldwych Club. His adroit analysis of the immediate causes of India's clamour for greater participation in political power, combined with the dissertation on his conception of the Statutory Commission's purpose, surely make it evident that constant reminders of the magnitude of the task confronting the members, have been, in the main, gratuitous. The Commission which leaves for India to-day will it is also certain enter upon its investigations with a perfectly open mind. In a tour of the provinces expected to last for a period of seven months, a vast amount of evidence will have to be taken, afterwards to be sifted, tabulated, and condensed, within limits which still permit of a thorough interpretation, it is hoped, of India's aspirations and, more particularly, her ripeness for greater concessions. It is a burden of immense responsibility. Sir John Simon touched the root of the problem in pointing out that it is a case of attempting to reconcile authority with freedom. India's demand for self-government is the logical development of British policy in that vast country. Impact with British ideals has given the Indian a new-found sense of patriotism, new hopes and new ambitions. With eyes wide open, Britain chose the path of popular education rather than the slightly less thorny one of leaving India to her illiteracy. The beneficent results of British rule are obvious for all to observe. If, as Sir John Simon points out, we have taught them the lessons of our imperial history, we must not complain if the Indians should be eager to apply the process to their own case. The task is to distinguish between the irresponsible voice of the noisy extremist minority, and the more restrained, more pertinent claims of the whole. Unfortunately, the Morley-Minto reforms have never been conceded a fair trial. From the commencement the popular politicians indulged in a campaign of obstruction, first refusing to take their legislative seats, and afterwards hampering the Government in every possible way. This latter policy is evident even to-day. Reason has not come to them in ten years. The most powerful argument against the transfer of the government of India from the people of England to the people of India is thus provided. The Commission is not likely to be led astray by the illusion of unanimity provided by the so-called All-Party conference. The delegates were representative of no-one but themselves, and the majority were well-known agitators who spent a period of their life in prison as the result of violent abuse of the British Government during the war. The conflict of opinion in India itself is epitomised by the Maharajah of Patiala, who in an interview with a Reuter representative at Montreux, said that the British connexion was vitally necessary to India, made it perfectly clear that the native States would never submit to the rule of professional politicians in British India, and that the Princes owed

## DAY BY DAY.

THE WISE MAN BECOMES FULL OF GOOD, EVEN IF HE GATHERS IT LITTLE BY LITTLE.—Buddha.

Yesterday's return of notifiable diseases shows one Filipino case of diphtheria and one Chinese case of typhoid.

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong St. Andrew's Society will take place this evening at 5.45 o'clock, at the City Hall.

The motor vessel Agra (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Rotterdam on the 20th September and is due here on or about the 30th October.

Rumours are to the effect that the s.s. Devawongse has cleared for Macao for the purpose of obtaining a load-line certificate issued under Portuguese authority.

The s.s. Antung, conveying coolie passengers from Singapore to Swatow, reports the death of two en route, no cause being stated. Both bodies were buried at sea.

The body of an unknown Chinese, who appears to have been about 35 years of age, was found hanging from a tree on the hillside above May Road, yesterday. The circumstances suggested suicide.

The Inspicing Ordnance Officer of South China announces that a quantity of unserviceable cordite will be put on the foreshore of Junk Bay, in the vicinity of Ren-nie's Mills on October 4. The quantity to be destroyed is approximately two tons.

Ship movements reported to-day include the undocking of the s.s. Vav from Kowloon and the taking in hand of the s.s. Hiram at the yard for overhaul. It is understood that, after fumigation, the s.s. Tai Lee will be taken in hand by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock for overhaul and refit, on Sunday.

The Straits Steamship Co.'s vessel Rahman which is chartered by the East Asiatic Company, and which turned turtle in a port in the Gulf of Siam some weeks ago, has been successfully salvaged. The vessel arrived at Bangkok on the 18th inst. and is going into dock. The damage is said to be slight.

Found in possession of \$5 worth of electric cable in Winslow Street, at 5 a.m. yesterday, a Chinese was fined \$25, or one month's hard labour in default, by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The defendant, who had one previous conviction for larceny, said he had found the cable in the street.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 15 arrivals and 12 departures. British holding top place with six and four respectively, leaving 66 vessels in port, of which 24 were British. Tonnage was fair, with freights average, the British contribution being a total of 14,000.

M. Battan, who gave his place of residence as the Sikh Temple, Morrison Hill Gap Road, has reported to the police that he was robbed of \$40 while walking in Connaught Road Central yesterday. An audacious thief is said to have bumped against Battan, and under cover of the act relieved him of the money.

The Commissioner of Customs at Kowloon reports that a junk lies sunken at Wangmoon, but the exact position is at present unknown. Steps are being taken to locate the wreck, fix the position and have it marked as follows:—A green flag by day and green light over a white light by night. Another notification will be issued as soon as the junk's position has been defined.

On a charge of larceny of a woolen jersey and a long Chinese coat, an unemployed Chinese was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The articles were taken from No. 617, Nathan Road, whilst the complainant was shifting. The defendant had been previously convicted and sentenced to six weeks' hard labour for stealing.

their allegiance to the Crown and to no-one else. In British India equally strong sections of the community find any suggestion of the withdrawal of British administration quite as distasteful for entirely different reasons. It seems to be taken for granted in authoritative circles that if present civil authority is weakened in any way innocent populations will be wiped out in communal disturbances. The future of India cannot be determined by paper Constitutions. Change must come slowly, if surely. Sympathy will not be lacking in Britain if patience and progress become India's watchwords.

## THE LATE FATHER PLACZEK.

### PASSING OF A BELOVED PRIEST.

The death took place yesterday at 10 p.m. at the French Hospital, of the Rev. Father Augustine Placzek, Rector of St. Margaret's Church, Broadwood Road.

Born at Bithow (Poland) on the 21st of August 1874, the deceased completed his studies in Italy, where he joined the Milan Foreign Mission Society. He arrived in the Colony in 1898, he was for 29 years Rector of St. Joseph Church, Garden Road, and Chaplain to the Forces.

He was most beloved by his congregation, and very popular on account of his forceful preaching, of the great interest he always took in his flock, and his great zeal for the upkeep of his church, which he provided with an up-to-date organ, stained-glass windows and a fine choir, his ambition being to make it the best in the Colony.

### About Hong Kong.

#### Do you know that—

A small gaol, built of granite, was erected on the site of the present Victoria Gaol in 1841?

A Court House, on the site of the present Masonic Hall, in Zetland Street, was commenced in 1841?

Government House, the Colonial Secretariat Building, and St. John's Cathedral were all designed by Mr. J. Pope, a former Government civil engineer?

The Central and West Point Stations were completed in 1857?

The Colony's first permanent Harbour Office was completed in 1872?

A Lunatic Asylum at Sai-ying-pui was built in 1879?

The Colonial Secretariat Building was completed in 1848?

His parishioners generously responded to his deserving appeals. Many of them became attached friends of his, especially members of I.M. Forces and of the Police, many of whom kept up an uninterrupted correspondence with him, even many years after they had left the Colony. All will feel his loss keenly.

In addition, the late Father was for many years Professor in the Mission Seminary, practically all the Chinese priests of the Vicariate having been his pupils.

He was recently transferred to be Rector of St. Margaret's Church, Happy Valley, and there too he showed his sterling quality in improving that Church and providing it with a beautiful organ. He leaves at home, a brother and his aged mother, 92 years old, for whom much sympathy will be felt. The funeral will take place to-day, the cortege passing the monument at 5.30.

### An Appreciation.

A man of simple habits whose life was characterized by frugal living, Father Augustine, as he was more familiarly known amongst his flock, has shown a deep devotion to duty which in the latter stages of his life, was extended to making his Church one of the most beautiful in the Colony. The building of St. Margaret's Church was his life ambition, and when that was fulfilled and supplemented by the provision of a beautiful organ and Cathedral clock complete with chimes, he was, naturally, transferred to the increasingly important parish of Happy Valley and Wanchai to which the Church now serves as the centre of church activities. He was never happier than when showing visitors over the new Organ and the interior of the Church, which by the way he always kept spotlessly clean, often expressing a pardonable pride in that fact.

Old-timers will remember him as the indefatigable priest in charge of St. Joseph's Church. Although denying himself many of the comforts and amenities of life, he did not withhold these from others, and a batch of campaigners of the late War will remember with gratitude the generous fare which he served up to them after a service held at St. Joseph's Church when he evoked the Divine benediction on them all.

His death at the age of 54 leaves a deep sense of loss amongst his flock, by whom Father Augustine is rightly well-beloved.—Contributed.

Two employees of a shop at No. 2, Western Street, are reported by the master of the firm to have disappeared with monies amounting to \$1,700, which they collected from various customers.

## The Very Idea!

Mr. William Bacon, a Mitcham postal pensioner, who recently celebrated his second silver wedding, died suddenly recently aged 80.

Of his eleven sons eight were in the Army during the war, and all have been connected with the postal service at one time or another. During the whole of his forty years as a postman at Thornton Heath, Croydon, Mr. Bacon delivered letters on the same round.

About twenty years ago a cricket eleven composed of his sons, with himself as captain, played and beat a team of Croydon postmen. His eleven sons and two daughters are married and have families. The grandchildren number forty-six.

When Mr. Bacon, who weighed eighteen stone, retired from the postal service in 1908 he had been head postman for many years, and was awarded the Imperial Service Medal. Though 80 years of age he was at work in his boot-repairing shop on the Fair Green-Mitcham, last month. For sixty years he was a Baptist lay preacher.

[A medical authority suggests that the last tempo of red-haired people may be due to the bailing to which they are subjected by their fellows during childhood.]

You think my temper fierce  
and wild,  
My fits of sudden rage  
Are faults congenital—ah, no!  
Believe me that it is not so,  
For at an early age  
I was a sweet and gentle  
child.

It is my flaming auburn hair  
That aye has been my curse,  
How soon I learned that  
colour tends  
To breed crude humour in  
one's friends.  
Nay, even in one's nurse,  
And drive the victim to despair.

That burst of homely hate  
Too well I recollect  
When "Carrots!" first was  
hurled at me  
And folk said superciliously,  
"Well, what could you expect  
From one with such a flaming  
hair?"

How "Ginger" seared my infant soul!  
Indeed, I grieve to say,  
There followed a most fierce assault.  
Well, serve him right. It is his fault.  
That I possess to-day  
A temper quite beyond control.

Even the men we label "Reds,"  
That fierce and fiery brand,  
If we could only find a name  
Less patently suggesting  
blame,  
Might eat out of our hand  
And meekly bow submissive  
heads.

"Yes," said the English visitor  
in the Chicago hotel, the United States began when they threw a lot of tea into cold water in Boston Harbour. And they've gone on making tea that way ever since. Boy, take all this junk away and bring me a glass of milk or near-beer."

Mr. Hay Halkett, the Marylebone magistrate, marked the charge sheet "To the Commissioner of Police.—This is another admirable plan by P.C. 184D, Hogg. I have twice recently commended him for his extraordinarily neat and clean plans."

Hackney landlady, at Shore-ditch (of her lodger): She threatened to cut my nose off, and said it would not spoil my face.

Barriester, to Haggerston witness, at Shore-ditch: You appreciate the reason for my question? The witness: No, I'm blowed if I do.

I have been married six years, and in all that time I have only had one row with my wife, said a man at Shore-ditch. Judge Cluer: It seems impossible.

Mongolia has yielded a fossil animal which was as long as twelve cricket pitches. The British angler, in France who reports his fish in kilometres in mistake for kilograms was evidently only born out of due season.

In the days when acetylene was used for magic lanterns the stuff was kept in small canvas bags which often had to be changed during a lecture.

On one such occasion a lecturer remarked, "Now, ladies and gentlemen, the hall will be plunged in darkness while the lantern operator changes his bags."



FOR POSSESSION OF  
DAGGERS.FIVE-YEAR SENTENCES ON  
TWO-ARMED CHINESE.

## THE BIRCH AS WELL.

Sentences of five years' hard labour and twenty strokes of the birch was passed this morning on each of two Chinese who were arrested in Shaikwan on Thursday in possession of daggers.

The case was heard before Mr. R. E. Lindsell and Major C. Wilson sitting together.

One of the two men pleaded guilty at the outset. The other man, who had attempted to run away when stopped by the police, and was shot in the leg, necessitating his removal to hospital, pleaded that he had been wrongly arrested.

Evidence was given by a Chinese detective to the effect that at 8.30 p.m. on the day in question, the police received certain information, as a result of which they proceeded to a tea shed near the tramway terminus at Shaikwan. On reaching there, they received further information, which led them to follow three men who were walking on the Shaikwan Road, in the direction of the Police Station.

Of the three men, one walked slightly in front and the other two walked side by side behind. The second defendant was one of those who walked behind. The police followed the three men for some distance and were quite close up when a Chinese detective shouted out, "Don't move."

The second defendant then turned round and on noticing the witness, drew something from his girdle. At this, the witness drew his revolver and told the man not to move, or he would be shot. The second defendant, instead of complying, took to his heels.

## Six Shots Fired.

The detective chased the man and fired two shots in the direction of the hills to frighten him, but to no effect. The defendant was seen to throw something white in colour on to the hillside as he ran. Eventually, the detective fired four shots at his quarry, aiming at his legs. The last shot took effect, hitting the second defendant on his ankle.

Later that night, women were engaged to cut grass on the hillside at the spot where the defendant was seen to discard something. When the grass was cut down to some extent, Sergeant McEwen, of the Shaikwan Police Station, found a dagger.

Evidence was also given by the Chinese Detective Sergeant mentioned by the former witness. This was to the effect that the two defendants were seen together by the police and that the first man had in his possession the dagger which was produced in Court.

The second defendant's story was to the effect that at the time the shooting took place, he was one of the many pedestrians who was on Shaikwan Road. He heard the police say "Search" and he immediately stopped and waited. People behind began to run, but he stood quite still. When the shooting commenced, he was shot in the leg.

## Magistrate's Retort.

Mr. Lindsell:—You were standing quite still, waiting to be searched when the police fired and shot you?

Defendant:—Yes.

Indeed! A likely story.—It is true.

All right. Any more nonsense? Defendant said that when the constable seized him (the defendant) was forced to admit he had the dagger on him.

Mr. Lindsell:—Now you have given yourself away! No evidence had been given that you had a dagger on you.

Defendant went on to say that the police produced a \$10 note and offered it to him, on condition he would admit that he had the dagger on him.

## Offered Ten Dollars.

Mr. Lindsell enquired if the defendant was suggesting that the police struck him and alternatively offered him \$10 to get him to admit possession of the dagger.

Defendant:—Yes. They told me that if I would admit it they would let me go and give me \$10.

As regards the third man, who was seen in the company of the two defendants, the police informed the Bench that the man was an innocent party and that the police were satisfied he was not connected with the two defendants.

## Pittsburg, Aug. 31.

Miss Amelia Earhart, the Atlantic flyer, narrowly escaped injury late to-day in a crash during a flight at Rodgers Field.

She was flying in a biplane with Mr. George Putnam, the New York publisher, who was also unhurt. Unfamiliarity with the field is blamed by Miss Earhart for the accident.

A BADLY FOUNDED  
COMPLAINT.

(Continued from Page 1.)

the baggage. The defendant said he could not have it until she had consulted her solicitors and ascertained what her position was, unless he was prepared to pay her \$32.50 in lieu of notice. Mr. Howarth refused to pay. Both parties consulted their solicitors and, later in the day, \$32.50 was paid under protest.

The defendant said she then telephoned and said the plaintiffs could have their baggage if they called for it. Mr. Howarth called on the morning of August 29 with coolies, and then took the baggage away.

In the course of that morning, he said, he cancelled the passages for Australia because he did not know when he was going to get his baggage back, but he could not say when he cancelled the passages. He could not even remember whether he did it before or after he obtained the baggage.

## Premature Action.

In any event, the cancellation seems to have been premature and unnecessary, in view of the fact that the ship was not to sail until two days later. Mr. Howarth admitted later that the detention of the baggage was not the sole reason for the cancellation, and Mrs. Howarth's explanation of the cancellation was by no means convincing.

Plaintiffs stated they had lived in Kowloon for some time and that when they took defendant's room they had already decided to go to Australia at the end of August and that they so informed the defendant. If this story is true, why were they so anxious to move their quarters at all? They were only going to be here for one month.

Mrs. Howarth gave as the reason that they wanted to be more central but this is not a convincing reason for a move in the last month.

## Defendant Believed.

I believe the defendant's story. She was not keeping an hotel where people come and go every few days. She was earning her living by letting her rooms. She said she turned out of her own room and slept on a sofa in a living room for a time in order to find accommodation for the plaintiffs, and that she would not have done this for people she did not know if they were only going to stay for one month.

On this point, I am doubtful whether the plaintiffs had any intention at that time of going to Australia at the end of the month or at any time in the immediate future. I am satisfied that defendant knew nothing about the suggested departure for Australia at the end of the month until August 14.

## Slept in Kowloon.

What happened on August 27? The plaintiffs, although they were not sailing until August 31, had packed all their belongings as though they contemplated an even earlier departure. They say that they dined with friends in Kowloon on that evening and that those friends asked them to spend the night with them, which they did.

They do not say whether they sent to their room for the usual requirements for the night, so I assume they did not. The alternatives are that they went fully provided with these, or they managed without. The latter alternative would be a very uncomfortable arrangement for a couple like the plaintiffs on a hot night in August. I suspect they went fully provided and that they had no intention of going back to the defendant's flat. All the circumstances point to this.

Life had not been pleasant there since the defendant had heard about this proposed departure for Australia. All their belongings had been packed ready for removal. It only remained for Mr. Howarth to go and get them. He had told us that he went the next morning. Mrs. Howarth did not say she went with him. I should have expected an early return if she really intended to stay until the end of the month, and in view of her statement that she had nothing but what she stood up in.

## "Extraordinary."

If Mr. Howarth's story, that all their baggage was packed ready to be put on board the P. and O. ship for Australia, is true, it seems extraordinary that they kept nothing out but what they were wearing with two days of August to be lived through before the date of sailing.

Mr. Howarth failed to secure the baggage on the morning of the 28th as the defendant refused to let him have it unless he settled her claim. He went to see his solicitors, and after paying \$32.50 under protest he was informed he might take it.

He went again the next morning, the 29th, with coolies, and

BIG HANKOW FIRE  
DISASTER.OVER 2,000 HUTS, HOUSES  
AND SHOPS GUTTED.

## THOUSANDS HOMELESS

Hankow, Sept. 26.

A most disastrous fire broke out in the native city early yesterday morning, over 2,000 huts, houses and shops being gutted and the Chison Maloo, one of the principal streets of the native city, being wiped out. The exact number of casualties has not yet been ascertained. Seven bodies have so far been recovered. It is believed that many people jumped in ponds to escape the flames and were drowned. It is stated that 7,000 people are homeless.

The fire started in a gambling den and spread with tremendous rapidity owing to the congested area and the high wind. Firemen got the conflagration under control after four hours' fighting with the flames.—*Reuter*.

A Chinese telegram says that the fire started at shortly after midnight on Monday and continued to rage until 5 o'clock on Tuesday morning. It involved an area of more than ten miles.

Efforts of the firemen to check the flames were most difficult owing to the high wind and the fact that there was no electric light service available, this making it essential for the police to keep a sharp look-out until day-break.

took the baggage away. We were not told whether Mrs. Howarth went with him. He was not certain what time it was or whether he cancelled the passages for Australia before or after he got the baggage. His account of it all was so very casual that I doubt whether the plaintiffs ever had any intention of sailing on August 31.

## Judge's Disbelief.

According to his account, the steamship company allowed him to cancel his passages two days before the ship sailed as though it was quite immaterial to them whether the plaintiffs went by that ship or the next, and in the end, Mr. Howarth said that the cancellation of the passages was not entirely due to the detention of the baggage if there was, in fact, any cancellation at all.

The plaintiffs gave the defendant good reason for believing they had left her by acting in the way they did.

I will now deal with the plaintiffs' claim. 1. The sum of \$32.50, which has been returned. 2. Hotel expenses for the last four days of August. 3. Damages for trespass. I believe the plaintiffs left of their own accord on August 27. There was no evidence that they ever sought to return with the intention of continuing their residence. Mr. Howarth only went back to get the luggage. Mrs. Howarth apparently did not go near the place again.

4. Damages for illegal detention of the plaintiffs' effects and baggage.

The defendant was not an innkeeper and accordingly had no lien on the plaintiffs' belongings. On the other hand, she had good reason to believe that the plaintiffs

LORD MAYOR OF  
LONDON.BARONETCY FOR SIR CHAS.  
BATHO.

London, Sept. 26.

H.M. the King has approved that a Baronetcy of the United Kingdom be conferred upon Sir Charles Batho on the occasion of his retirement from the office of Lord Mayor of London, and that Knight-hoods be conferred upon Mr. Henry Davenport and Mr. Frederick Green on their retirement from the office of Sheriffs of the City of London.—*British Wireless*.



Sir Charles Batho has been Lord Mayor of London since last November. He has for many years figured as a prominent member of the Corporation of London, and is a partner in Messrs. Capland and Co., ship store and export merchants.

had left her, and were going to evade any claim she might have.

The detention may have been wrong, but what damage did the plaintiffs suffer by reason of it? They said that they had packed everything ready for the ship. There was no evidence that anything was left out for use until the ship sailed. The plaintiffs' account of what took place is such that I am not prepared to award them even nominal damages for the few hours detention of their baggage.

The plaintiffs complain that they were unable to go and see if they had left any of their belongings about this room, but they have said that all their trunks and suit cases were packed ready to be taken away and that they have given no evidence that they ever sought an opportunity to look around the room.

5. Further and other relief. I see no reason for giving the plaintiffs any relief. I do not consider they have proved to my satisfaction that they have suffered any damage for which the defendant is responsible.

I give judgment for the defendant with costs.

FUTURE OF NORTH  
CHINA.PEKING-MUKDEN RAILWAY  
TO RESUME.

## YEN INTERVIEWED.

Peking, Sept. 26.

Marshal Yen Hsi-shan interviewed by Chinese journalists today, expressed the hope that with the surrender of the Shantung-Chihli troops remnants, military activities in China can be said to have been brought definitely to an end. Fengtien military officials will render this more certain by complying with the Nationalist request to withdraw all their forces beyond the Great Wall. Marshal Yen added that districts within the Wall, will be controlled by his troops, under General Sheng Chen.

Referring to the desecration of the Manchu Royal tombs, by Northern troops, Marshal Yen Hsi-shan stated that a Special Court of Justice will try all suspects.

As to the future, he said he will not stay very long in Peking, as he intends shortly to visit the Chahar and Suiyuan Provinces. He is now fully recovered from his recent illness.

## Completely Recovered.

Peking, Sept. 27.

Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, in an interview with Chinese pressmen on his arrival here, declared that he had quite recovered from his illness.—*Reuter*.

## Peking-Mukden Railway.

Peking, Sept. 26.

The Diplomatic Body is urging the Chinese Government to effect an early resumption of communication on the Peking-Mukden Railway.

It is reported in this connexion that General Chang Hsueh-liang has sent a representative, Mr. Chu Hing-lan, to Peking to discuss with Nationalist officials the question of returning all coaches and rolling stock, seized by the Fengtien Army during their retreat.

It is believed that the Peking-Mukden Railway will resume normal traffic soon.

General Yang Yu-ting, the Fengtien military leader was in conference with General Pei Chung-hai yesterday afternoon at Anshan.

It is reliably reported that General Chu Yu-pu has arrived at Dairen.

## Spills of War.

Shanghai, Sept. 26.

A message from Tientsin says that General Pei Chung-hai claims that 35,000 rifles, 27 aeroplanes, 280 field guns, 120 machine guns and five armoured trains were taken by his forces in the recent campaign against the Chihli-Shantung troops.—*Reuter*.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Sept. 26.	
Paris	124.05
Brussels	34.90
Amsterdam	12.00
Berlin	20.34
Copenhagen	18.19
Vienna	34.44
Helsingfors	102.74
Bucharest	107.74
Buenos Aires	47.5/16
Shanghai	2/7
Yokohama	1/10.21/32
New York	4.84 15/16
Geneva	25.19
Milan	92.75
Stockholm	18.13
Oslo	18.19
Prague	263 3/4
Madrid	29.43 1/2
Athens	275
Rio	5.29/32
Bombay	1/5.11/32
Hongkong	1/11 1/2
Silver (spot)	26 1/2
Silver (forward)	26 1/2

—*British Wireless*.SYDNEY BRIBE  
SCANDAL.SENTENCED OFFICIAL'S  
APPEAL.

Sydney, Aug. 31.

The Full Court today referred to the High Court the appeal of Mr. S. Y. Maling, former acting head of the Sydney Secretary Department, against sentence of six months' imprisonment and a fine of \$500 imposed on July 31.

Mr. Maling was charged with receiving part of the sum of \$10,600 which was paid over by Messrs. Babcock and Wilcox to him and certain Aldermen in consideration of the granting of a contract for power house plant. The appeal was based on constitutional points raised by Mr. Maling's counsel.

The Chief Justice said there was no doubt that \$10,600 had come from Messrs. Babcock and Wilcox and that it was in the nature of a reward for Maling's having recommended their tender. But for the constitutional issue the rule nisi would have been discharged.

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## THE WORLD OF SPORT

### BOXING IN SHAMBEEN.

DISPLAY BY CANTON K.O.S.B. DETACHMENT.

Shameen, Sept. 26.  
A very good boxing competition was held last night by the Canton Detachment of the 2nd Bn. of the King's Own Scottish Borderers. Some very good fights were seen; in fact, it was quite the best display of boxing ever seen in Shameen.

A ring 21 feet by 20 feet was erected in the Central Avenue in front of the Canton Club. All arrangements were very well made, though the floor might have been rather better, as the competitors could not get a good stand and slipped about a good deal.

#### Featherweights:

In the first bout of the Feather Weights, Private McLaughlin met Lance-Corporal Bailey. This proved a very good fight, with Bailey leading at the end of the first round. McLaughlin, however, landed a lucky shot on his opponent's jaw early in the second round, and knocked him out.

The second bout in this class proved one of the best fights of the evening. Private McDonald met Private Bailey and the fight was absolutely even. After two one-minute rounds and one two-minute round and an extra minute round had been fought by decision of the judges, the award was finally given to McDonald.

In the finals of this class McLaughlin knocked out McDonald in the second round, after an excellent first round.

#### Light Weights:

The Light Heavy Weight contest between Private Brannan and Private Philips was a very poor show indeed, neither man using his weight to any advantage. Finally Philips knocked out Brannan in the third round.

The first bout of the Light Weight Competition, Lance-Corporal Kelly met Private O'Donnell. Kelly had it all his own way during the first round; in fact, O'Donnell was only saved from a knock-out by the gong, but he revived wonderfully in the second round and easily won the verdict on points in the third round.

In the Light Weight finals, O'Donnell easily defeated Lance-Corporal Lofthouse on points, holding the lead from the very start.

#### Welters:

There were seven entries for the Welter Weight Competition. Private McLaughlin easily defeated Private Bennett on points in three rounds; Private McKean secured an equally easy victory over Private Dickson. The fight between Private Reid and Private Docherty proved exceptionally good and was very even indeed; after going three strenuous rounds, the award was given to Docherty and proved a most popular win.

In the semi-finals of this competition, McLaughlin defeated McKean, and Private Quick defeated Private Docherty after another very even contest. In the finals, Private Quick defeated Private McLaughlin after a good even fight in three rounds.

#### Special Contests:

In a special Light Weight contest of three one-minute rounds and one two-minute round, Private Tierman, of the R.A.M.C., defeated Corporal Cox, of the K.O.S.B. This was also a very good fight, being about level at the end of the first round. However, Private Tierman showed himself superior to his opponent in the three other rounds. Corporal Cox was awarded a prize for the best loser of the evening.

In a special Welter Weight contest between Private Harris and Private Cowe, Harris won easily on points. At the end of the first round Cowe was only saved from a knock-out by the gong. After the interval there was some amusing blindfold boxing in which Private Docherty and Private Brannan reached the final, and Docherty proved the winner.

In the Middle Weight Competition of two one-minute rounds and one two-minute round, Private Leggett defeated Lance-Corporal Hill on points with ease, and then followed up his victory by winning the final over Private Jarvis, also easily.

#### French Boxer Beaten.

Another special Welter Weight contest, between Henri Kimm, Petty-Officer of the French Gunboat Vigilante, and Private Haggerty, of the K.O.S.B., resulted in a

### G.R.C. "AT HOME."

TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 20TH.

The Chinese Recreation Club "At Home," which was arranged for last Saturday afternoon and postponed on account of rain, will now be held on October 20, when the programme as previously decided will be carried through.

A series of exhibition tennis matches will be played between the Club's three League teams, and at the conclusion of the afternoon's sport the prizes will be distributed by Mrs. W. T. Southorn. It is expected that H.E. the Officer Administering the Government will also be present.

### HONGKONG RACES.

PRICES FOR THE ST. LEGER.

Local prices for the Hongkong St. Leger, to be run on October 8th, are as follows:

- 7/4 Coon Bay.
- 13/8 Blackstone Hall.
- 9/2 Tarmacadam.
- 10/1 U. Un II.
- 10/1 Gals Eve.
- 7/1 Blue World.
- 100/8 Tarzan.
- 25/1 Horsford.
- 33/1 Perpetual Motion.
- 25/1 The Hawk.

### AQUATIC SPORTS.

ANNUAL CHINESE MEETING NEXT MONTH.

The annual aquatic sports opened to Chinese of the Colony will be held this year under the auspices of the Hongkong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation, of which the Hon. Sir Shou-sen Chow and the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall are Honorary Presidents, and Mr. Ng Sze-kwong, President. The sports will take place on October 7 and 8 at the Chinese Bathing Shed, commencing at 2 p.m. on each day. At the conclusion of the sports, Miss Chow, daughter of Sir Shou-sen Chow will distribute the prizes.

The harbour swim will be held on the 29th inst. starting from Kowloon side at 2.30 p.m. and back to the Chinese Bathing Shed.



This may be a fast age, but there was more bustle in days of yore.

win after a very interesting and even contest, for Haggerty, the winner, however, had been twice warned for hitting low.

In a special Light contest between Private Gordon of the K.O.S.B.'s and Leading-Seaman Lillierap, of H.M.S. Moth, Gordon scored a perfect knock-out at the end of the first round, and Lillierap was carried off.

The last fight of the evening was a good Light Heavy Weight fight between Sergeant Causton, of the K.O.S.B.'s, and Stoker Harris, of H.M.S. Moth. Harris got a good lead in the first round, but the second, third and fourth were very level. The verdict was given to Harris.

#### The Officials.

The following acted as officials:—Referee, Commander R. M. Hunt; Judges, Mr. J. M. Walker and Captain G. A. Clements; timekeepers, Mr. R. K. Batchelor and Mr. H. P. Campbell; Masters of Ceremonies, Company Quarter Master Sergeant Murray, M.M., and Sergeant Causton.

Mr. J. F. Brannan, C.M.G., Acting British Consul General, presented the prizes at the conclusion of the events—Our Own Correspondent.

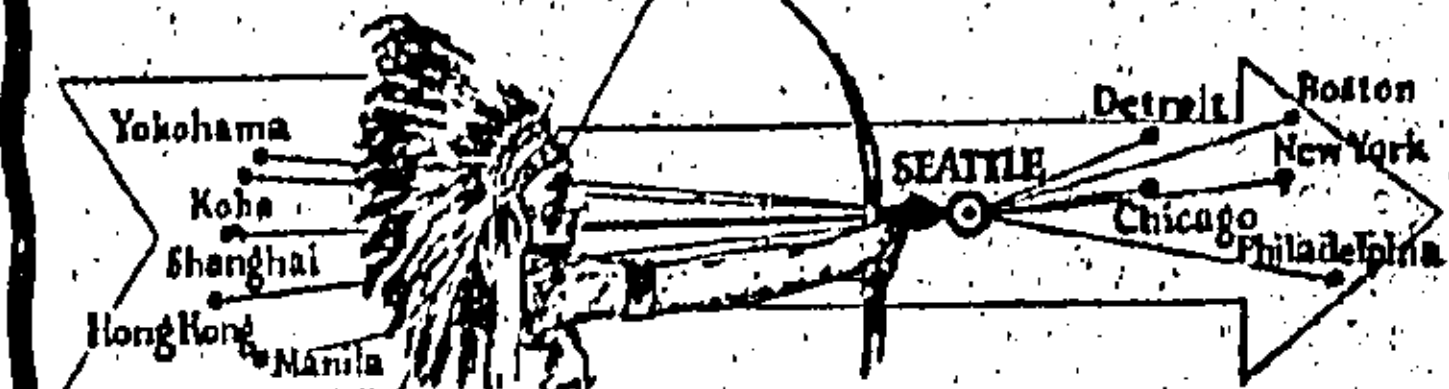
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### CHARRED BONES IN A HAND-BAG.

PRONOUNCED TO BE HUMAN.

The charred remains of bone found in a woman's handbag picked up by a boy in London-road, Kingston, recently, were subsequently pronounced to be of human origin. They had been subjected to a microscopic examination by Sir Bernard Spilsbury, the Home Office pathologist, who identified them as being a portion of a kneebone and a jawbone of a woman or girl of small stature. A definite line of inquiry is being followed by the police, states a news agency report.

In the bag found by the boy were also a bloodstained razor, a woman's stockings marked with blood, some light brown hairs wrapped in a piece of rag, a black cloth belt, a small brown purse, a torn-up letter, fragments of a photograph, a bottle of disinfectant, and a pair of fawn gloves. The bag was of grey suede fitted with a gilt clasp.

The bag was found by George Lewis, the son of a Kingston police constable, on his way home from work. He immediately took the bag and its contents to the police-station.

#### Photograph Identified.

The fragments of the photograph in the bag bore the name and address of a Kingston photographer. They were taken to him at once, and he recognised the mouth, which showed a slightly protruding tooth. He remembered having touched up the tooth when the picture was taken a month ago. He found the original plate, and the photograph is believed to be that of a young Kingston woman employed at a local institution.

On the day of the boy's discovery a bundle of woman's underclothing was found rolled up in an evening paper placard in the men's section of the Kingston public baths, and it is suggested that the find has some connexion with the handbag mystery.

According to a report the bones are believed to be those of a female child, aged about four years, whose identity is stated to be known to the police.











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## COMMUNIST CLEAN-UP

MANY SENTENCED TO GAOL IN FINLAND.

Helsingfors, Sept. 26. Forty-six communists were found guilty of seditious activity and sentenced to from one to fifteen years' imprisonment. Three were acquitted.—*Reuter*.

[A message dated April 18 stated that the Police had arrested a large number of leading Communists in Helsingfors and the Provinces, including some members of the Diet. They were charged with complicity in treasonable conspiracy.]

## COTTON COMBINE.

SCHEME TO FORM COMPANY WITH \$5,000,000 CAPITAL.

London, Sept. 26. A special meeting of the Oldham members of the Lancashire

## SWEDISH POLITICS.

THE GOVERNMENT DECIDES TO RESIGN.

Stockholm, Sept. 26. The Government has resigned.—*Reuter*.

[The resignation is the outcome of the recent elections in which the Conservatives gained 8 seats, the Agrarians 4 and the Communists 4. The Socialists lost 16. Other parties showed no change. The Prime Minister, M. Ekman, who is a Liberal Prohibitionist, was re-elected. The Liberal Foreign Minister, M. Lofgren, was defeated.]

Shareholders and Lopholders Association unanimously supported the scheme to form a combine of fourteen cotton spinning companies to be known as the Spinners Combine, Limited, with a capital of \$25,000,000 in \$1 shares.—*Reuter*.

## "EVEREADY" AGAIN.

APPEAL AGAINST MAGISTRATE'S JUDGMENT.

An application for leave to appeal against the judgment of Mr. W. Schofield delivered in the case in which the Chung Wah Battery Company were recently convicted on charges of infringement of the "Eveready" marks was granted by his Worship at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for the defendant company, who, it will be recalled, was fined \$100, and made his application on mixed grounds of fact and law. There were several legal questions, he said, which were mixed with fact. It was hard to say what was fact and what was law.

Mr. Russ said that he was at a disadvantage as he would have preferred to have made his application after the case against the Kwong Tung Co., which is due to be heard this afternoon, was concluded.

Mr. Russ then set forth his points on which he was applying for leave to appeal. The first was one of acquiescence. The question was how far acquiescence in the alleged infringements could prevent the complainant from taking action. The second point was that the general get-up of the marks in dispute was common to the trade. The question to be argued was as to how far "common to the trade" meant "exclusive to the trade." The third and final point was the question of monopoly of the English language.

His Worship pointed out that "Eveready" was not an English word but a combination of two English words. His Worship queried whether the word could be found in the Oxford English Dictionary.

Mr. Russ replied that he could not say, but argued that it would surely become an English word by long usage. He gave as an example the word, "monoplane," and said that it was not only a combination of two words but of words of two different languages.

After further discussion as to the procedure of the appeal, his Worship granted the application.

## ARGENTINE LOAN.

ENTIRE AMOUNT TO BE REPAYED TO AMERICAN BANKS.

Buenos Aires, Sept. 26. The Government has ordered the immediate repayment to the North American Banks of the last short term loan of \$312,000,000. The proposal to renew the loan at 7½ per cent was refused in the ground that the interest was too high.—*Reuter's American Service*.

## THE DATE CHANGED.

STATE BURIAL OF DR. SUN FIXED FOR MARCH 3.

Shanghai, Sept. 26. According to a message from Nanking, the date of the state burial of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen has been officially changed to March 3, the anniversary of his death.—*Reuter*.

## THE AUSTRALIAN STRIKE.

A FRESH CRISIS DEVELOPS.

Melbourne, Sept. 26. A fresh crisis is threatened in the waterside workers' dispute. The big interstate conference of maritime and transport unions decided to endorse the men's union's order to return to work, but are now planning an all-union movement to fight the Transport Workers Act which the delegates described as the "conscription of labour."

It is reported from all over the country that there is no likelihood of trade unionists registering under the Act. Over 3,000 volunteers have now been enrolled at the ports, including 1,800 here.

The waterside workers at Brisbane overwhelmingly rejected the ballot decision to resume work. The dockers at Adelaide have declared the strike off.

## The Act Challenged.

The leaders of the waterside workers have decided to challenge the Transport Workers Act, which they contend is unconstitutional. It is reported from Adelaide that as a result of intimidation only six drivers carted wool to the free labour ships to-day.—*Reuter*.

## "UNJUST ASPERSIONS."

PRESS CORRESPONDENTS PENALISED.

Simla, Sept. 26.

In the Assembly the President, Vithalbhai Patel, announced that the press passes issued to the correspondents of the *Times of India* and the *Daily Telegraph* had been cancelled owing to the aspersion cast by them upon the impartiality of the President's ruling on questions connected with the Public Safety Bill. The passes would be renewed only when they unqualifiedly apologised for their "unjust aspersion."—*Reuter*.

## The Simon Commission.

Simla, Sept. 26.

The Viceroy has notified Sir John Simon, in accordance with the latter's request, for the completion of the proposed control committee to co-operate with the Simon Commission, that he has invited the Indian members of the Legislature, who consented to serve thereon, in addition to the three already elected by the Council of State, and has also invited Sir Sankaranarayan, one of the Council of State selections, to act as chairman of the committee.—*Reuter*.

## MEXICO'S PRESIDENT.

MINISTER OF INTERIOR TO SERVE PROVISIONALLY.

Mexico City, Sept. 26. Sr. Emilio Gil, Minister of the Interior has been elected, without opposition, Provisional President of Mexico until February 6, 1930. At a joint sitting of the Senate and Chamber Sr. Gil recently announced that he supported the policy of President Calles and will enforce the religious laws throughout the country.—*Reuter's American Service*.

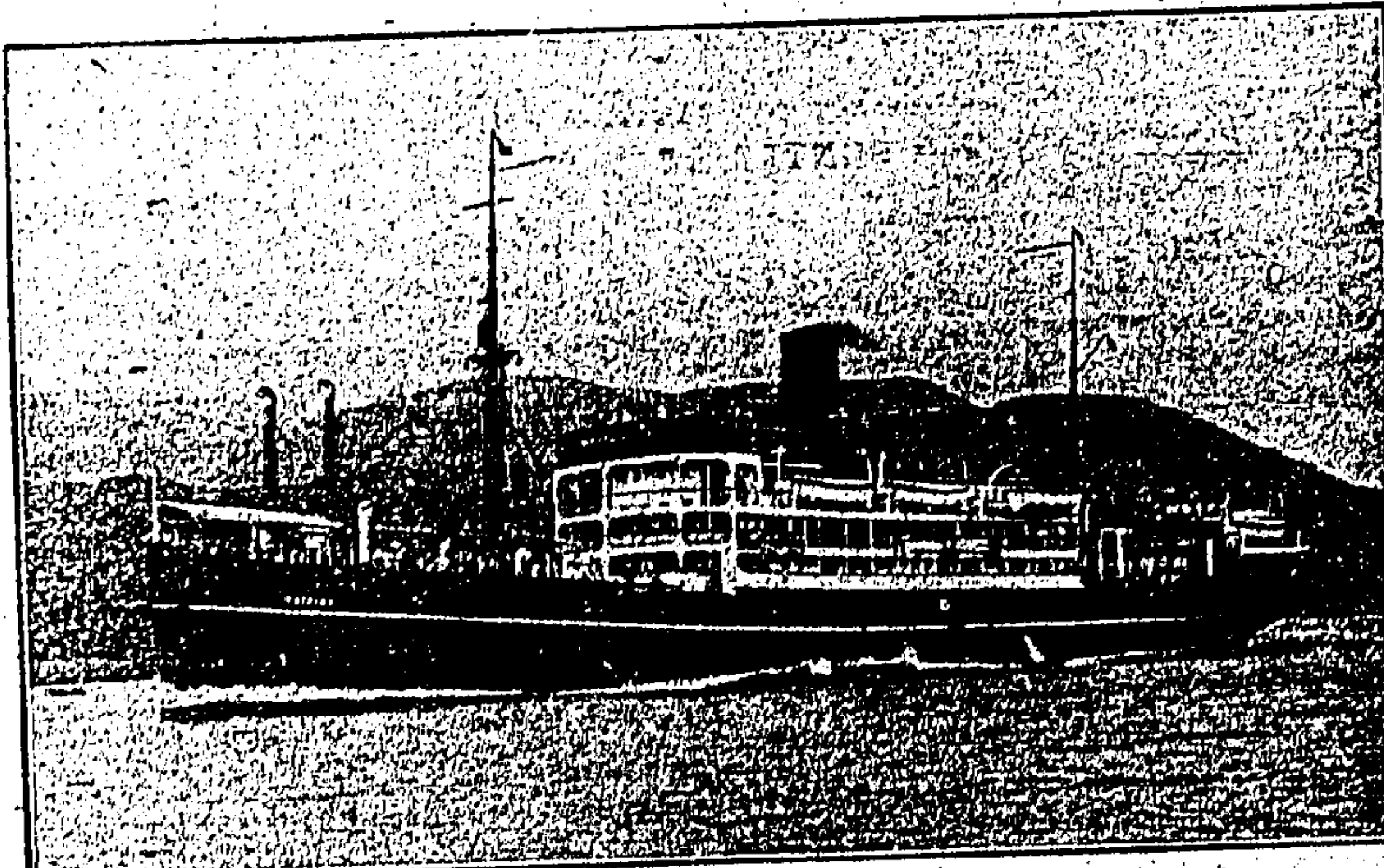
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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 17th October, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd October, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

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ARAFURA	6,000	10th Oct.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yoko
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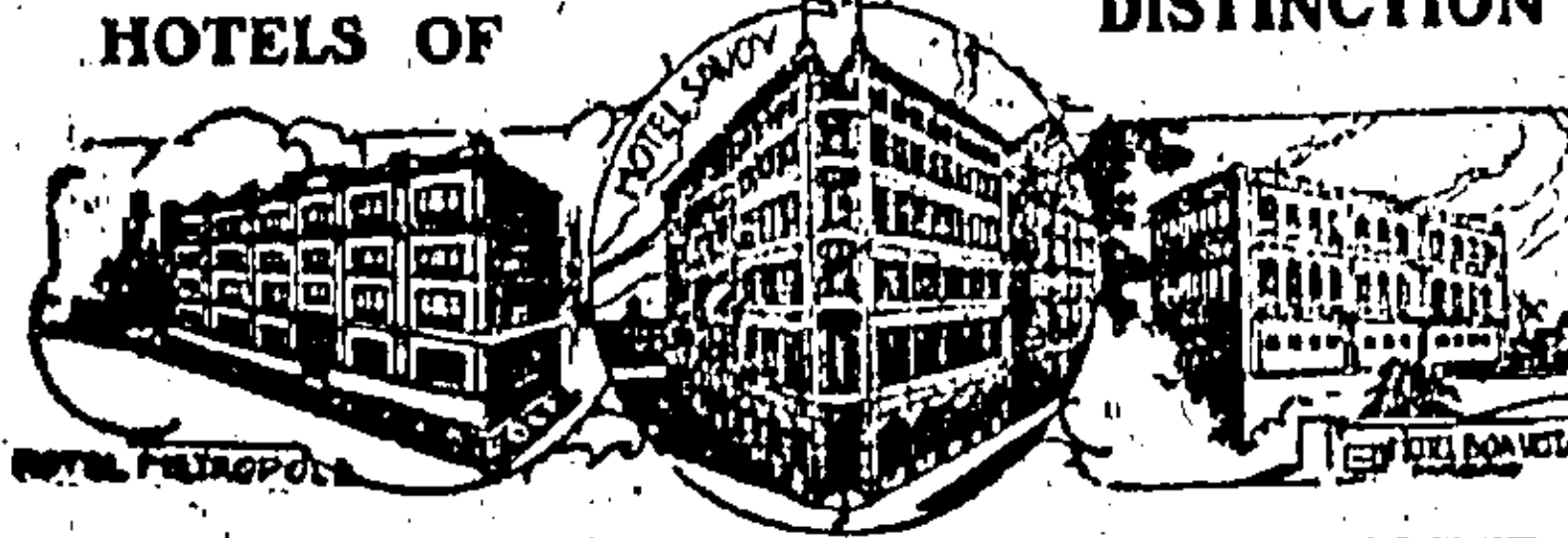
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### TWO CHINESE-OWNED BOATS ARE PIRATED.

#### A.P.C. SHIP ATTACKED.

Naval wireless messages received to-day in Hongkong state that two piracies have occurred on the Yangtze during the past week. In both cases, the attack was carried out by bandits who embarked on the steamers disguised as passengers. Both vessels involved run under the Chinese flag, one plying on the Middle River and the other on the Upper Yangtze.

No details of the piracies are given, but it seems certain that these attacks are in addition to the one reported a few days ago, when a ship flying the French flag was boarded by pirates who decamped with \$600.

Firing on steamers on the Yangtze also continues, Wushan still being the point from which the attacks are directed. Another Asiatic Petroleum Company vessel, the s.s. Shukwang, has reported that she was heavily fired on at Wushan. At the time, the bandits were heavily engaged with soldiers, presumably those sent by General Yang Sen to stamp out the gang in the district.

The armed guard on the A.P.C. vessel returned the fire. No information is available at present regarding the success or otherwise of the punitive measures ordered by General Yang Sen against the bandits.

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### LEAGUE'S SERVICE TO THE EAST.

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request all governments through private negotiations to seek an understanding on the various outstanding questions so as to permit of a successful meeting of the Preparatory Committee on Disarmament was adopted.

The Secretary-General was also instructed to call another meeting of the Committee of supervision of private manufacturers of arms and munitions and implements of war before the next Session of the Council in order that the work of the Committee be completed and submitted as soon as possible to a special conference which could meet at the same time as the general conference for the reduction and limitation of armaments. —British Wireless.

### ONE DOLLAR PER PASSENGER.

#### CARGO BOAT WOMAN FINED AT MARINE COURT.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Commr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., Lo Sze, the mistress of a cargo boat, was charged with carrying passengers in contravention of her licence.

Pleading guilty, the accused stated that she had taken cargo to the s.s. Tean and a number of stowaways wished to take passage ashore. As there was no other sampan available, she accepted them, not knowing that she was committing an offence.

His Worship, referring to the licence, observed that it was made out in the name of Lo Mun, and was informed by accused that she had bought the boat from that person quite recently.

Inflicting a fine of \$23, at the rate of \$1 per head for the passengers carried, his Worship instructed the accused that as possessor of the boat, she should take out a new licence.

## THE NATIONALIST FUTURE.

### OPTIMISTIC OUTLINE BY MR. SUN FO.

#### PLACING RELIANCE IN THE NEW COUNCILS.

#### CABINET GOVERNMENT

Nanking, Sept. 26. Agreeing largely with the prevailing views of foreigners that the Nationalist Government at Nanking controlled by the Kuomintang Party, is merely a Provisional Government permitted to function on sufferance by military leaders, Mr. Sun Fo, in an interview with Chinese journalists in Nanking to-day, said that this state of affairs would rapidly be changed.

To use Mr. Sun Fo's own words, the power of administration of China at present really rests in the hands of military officers, who "spread like sands in all parts of the country" and more or less regard themselves as the uncontrolled kings of the territories under their dominion.

#### Unity in Sight.

Measures are being taken, however, to secure a unity of control and Mr. Sun Fo expressed the opinion that out of the mists will emerge a strong Central Government, with power to enforce, if necessary, the allegiance of every part of the country.

It would probably not be necessary to resort to, or even speak of, force.

"There are signs that the militarists are coming round to a reasonable point of view and are prepared to give the Nanking Government, not only moral support, but the value of their services."

The leaders are placing their faith in the five new Government Councils, which are now receiving the earnest attention of politicians in Nanking.

#### China Ideals.

The five Councils will form the basis of China's Government, and when finally agreed upon as to form and powers, will complete the ideal government for which China has been searching for so long.

At present, he said, it is proposed that the Administrative or Executive Council shall take the form of a Cabinet, in accordance with Western procedure, while the Legislative Council will be similar to a Parliament. The Administration Council will be vested with the power of veto of any enactment of the Legislative Council.

The other Councils will be Government Departments.

#### Radical Revision.

When the scheme has been fully developed, said Mr. Sun Fo, the Nationalist Government will have been entirely reorganised, and foreigners will have cause to radically revise their opinions of the stability of the power that be in Nanking.

It is reported that at a full meeting of the Standing Committee of the C.E.C. to-day, the plans for the establishment of the new Councils was discussed at some considerable length.

#### Presidential Idea Dropped.

It is believed that the section of opinion which favoured the appointment of a resident has withdrawn its objections to the scheme as outlined, and that the Cabinet form of government has been approved.

The precise details, however, were much too involved to permit of a thorough examination by the whole of the Committee, and it was decided to appoint a special sub-committee consisting of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, Marshal Li Chai-sun, General Li Lieh-chun, General Ho Ying-ching, Mr. Wu Han-min, Mr. Sun Fo, Mr. Tsai Yuan-pai, Mr. Wu Tse-hui, Dr. C. T. Wang and Dr. Wang Chung-hui to examine the recommendations and to submit a revised draft at the earliest possible moment.

The demolition of a row of old shops and houses, the property of Harrow School, has just been completed, and as a result "Drurys," which has hitherto been hidden, is now to be seen. The house is named after the Rev. H. J. T. Drury ("Old Harry"), an assistant master, who from 1806 to 1841 occupied the original building which was rebuilt in 1864. He was tutor to Byron. Among the famous men who were also at "Drurys" was Lord Palmerston.

The removal of the old shops has effected a great improvement to the appearance of the High Street opposite the Headmaster's House. The open space now available in front of "Drurys" is to be laid out, and cottages are being erected for those who have been displaced.

## JAPANESE VESSEL NOW SAFE.

### HAKUHO MARU PROCEEDS TO HAINAN BAY.

#### DESTROYER RETURNS.

The Japanese freighter Hakuho Maru, which yesterday afternoon sent out wireless messages stating that she was sinking in Hainan Straits, is now safe.

The first news received yesterday was to the effect that the freighter had struck the ground in the middle channel of Hainan Straits, two miles away from Two Mile Patch. The ship reported that she was holed and that water was coming in.

Almost immediately another wireless was sent out "Immediately rescue. Sunk in 10 minutes. No ship yet arrived." Then came silence and it was presumed that the freighter had gone down.

H.M.S. Thracian, a destroyer, left Hongkong at 7.30 last night for Hainan Straits in the hope of picking up survivors, who, it was presumed, would have taken to the ship's boats. However at 10.10 last night while the Thracian was under way and having made good progress towards the position given by the Hakuho Maru, she received a wireless message from the ship which stated that she was safe and was proceeding to Hainan Bay.

Having this assurance that assistance was no longer required, the Thracian turned about and arrived in Hongkong at seven o'clock this morning.

It is presumed that the words of the wireless message received here, "Sunk in ten minutes," were really meant to convey that the ship would sink in a very short time and not that the vessel had actually foundered.

The s.s. Hakuho Maru is not a caller at Hongkong and is understood to be a freighter employed between southern ports and now running under the Japanese flag for the Goishi Kaisha Tatsumi Shokai. She was formerly owned by the British India S. N. Company under the name of Itola.

#### The Damage.

A later wireless message received from the Hakuho Maru states that the ship struck a submerged rock in the Hainan Straits at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, but was able to clear the obstruction and subsequently to proceed to shelter in Hainan Bay where she arrived four hours after the mishap.

The forepeak, which apparently was the part which collided with the rock, was stated in the message to be considerably damaged. The bottom beneath No. 1 hold and the plating of No. 3 hold, and also the No. 3 lower deck were leaking. The No. 1 tank and the No. 1 and No. 3 bilges were then being pumped out.

The message which was received at 7 o'clock this morning adds that navigation was impossible in the present condition of the vessel.

#### CRUELTY TO PIGS.

#### NOT SUFFICIENT MATTING FOR CRATES.

Mr. P. J. O'Brien, Inspector of the S.P.C.A., prosecuted two Chinese before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, on charges of causing unnecessary and avoidable cruelty to pigs by not providing the crates with matting.

In the first case, the defendant was charged in respect of five pigs which had been brought from the New Territories by train and were being unloaded at the Yau-mati Station yesterday morning.

The defendant pleaded guilty. In reply to his Worship, Mr. O'Brien said the pigs were not actually injured.

His Worship remarked that if the pigs were not injured, the defendant could not be charged with causing unnecessary and avoidable cruelty. He should have been charged with failing to supply damage to the crates.

The charge was accordingly amended and the defendant fined \$4.

It was stated in the second case that one pig which was being unloaded from the train had had its legs cut. There was some matting at the bottom of the crate, but this was inadequate. The defendant was fined \$10.

For removing earth from the vacant piece of land at the junction of Nathan Road and Kansu Street, Yau-mati, a Chinese contractor's coöper was fined \$5 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning. Mr. A. C. Burford, who prosecuted, remarked that these trespassers made holes in the grounds where rain water accumulated and bred mosquitoes.

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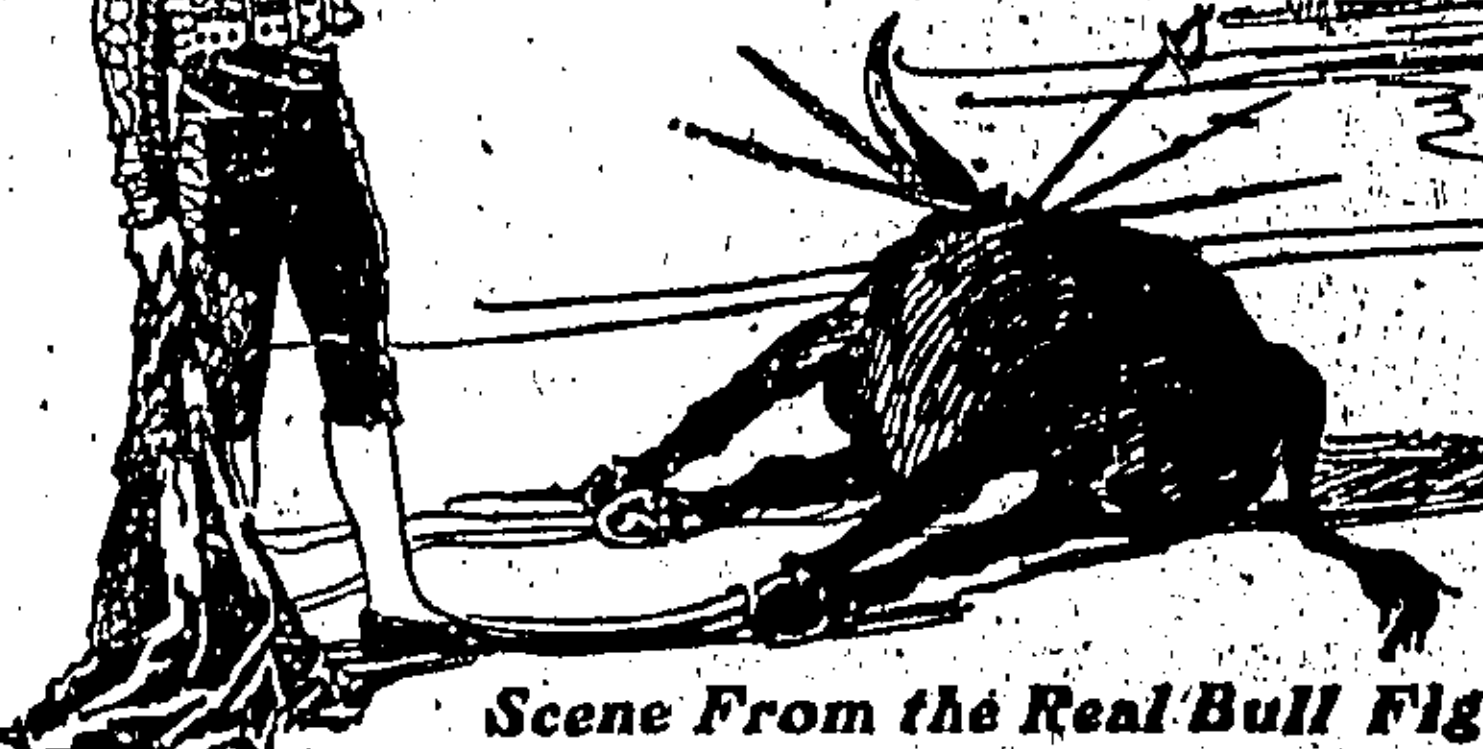
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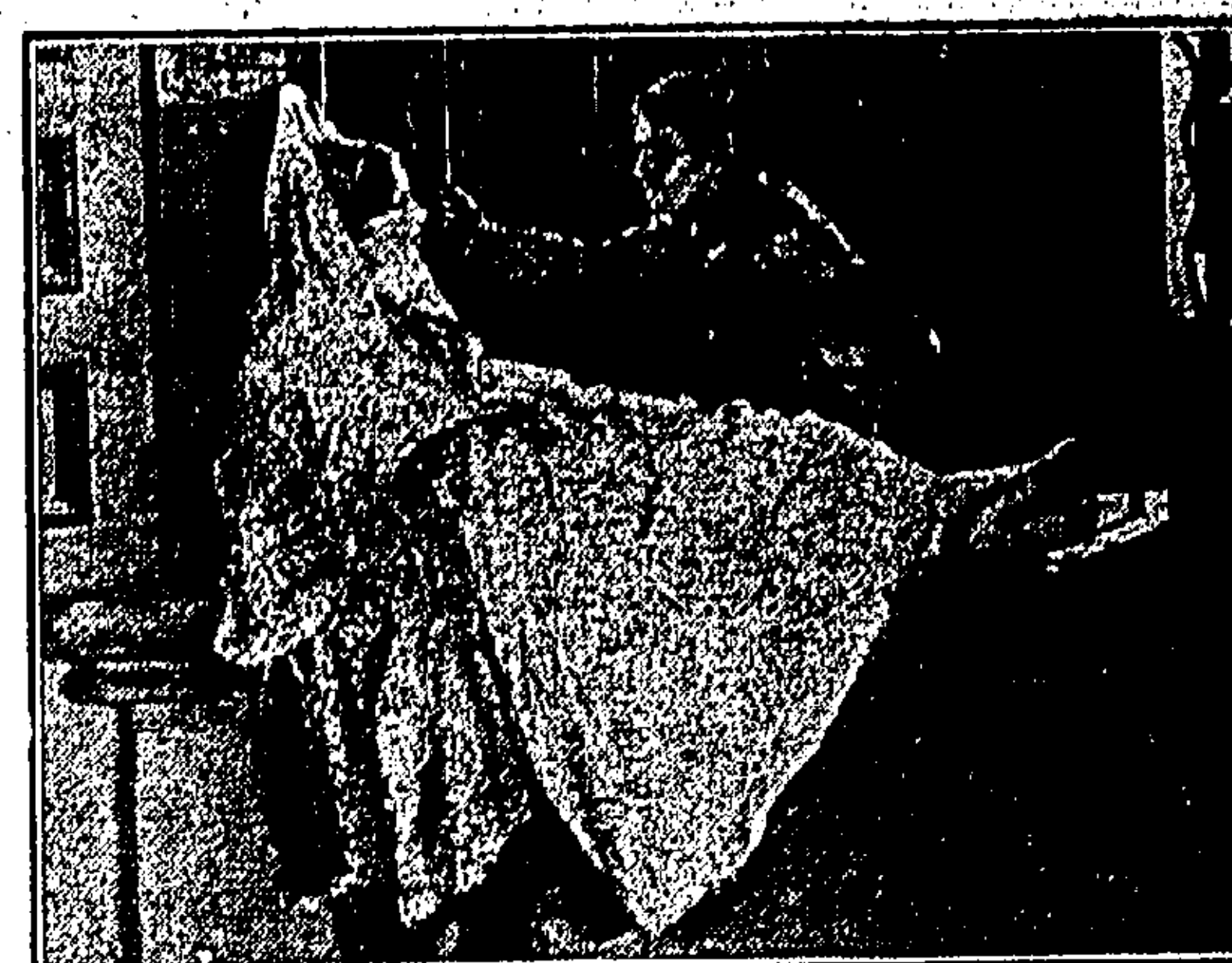


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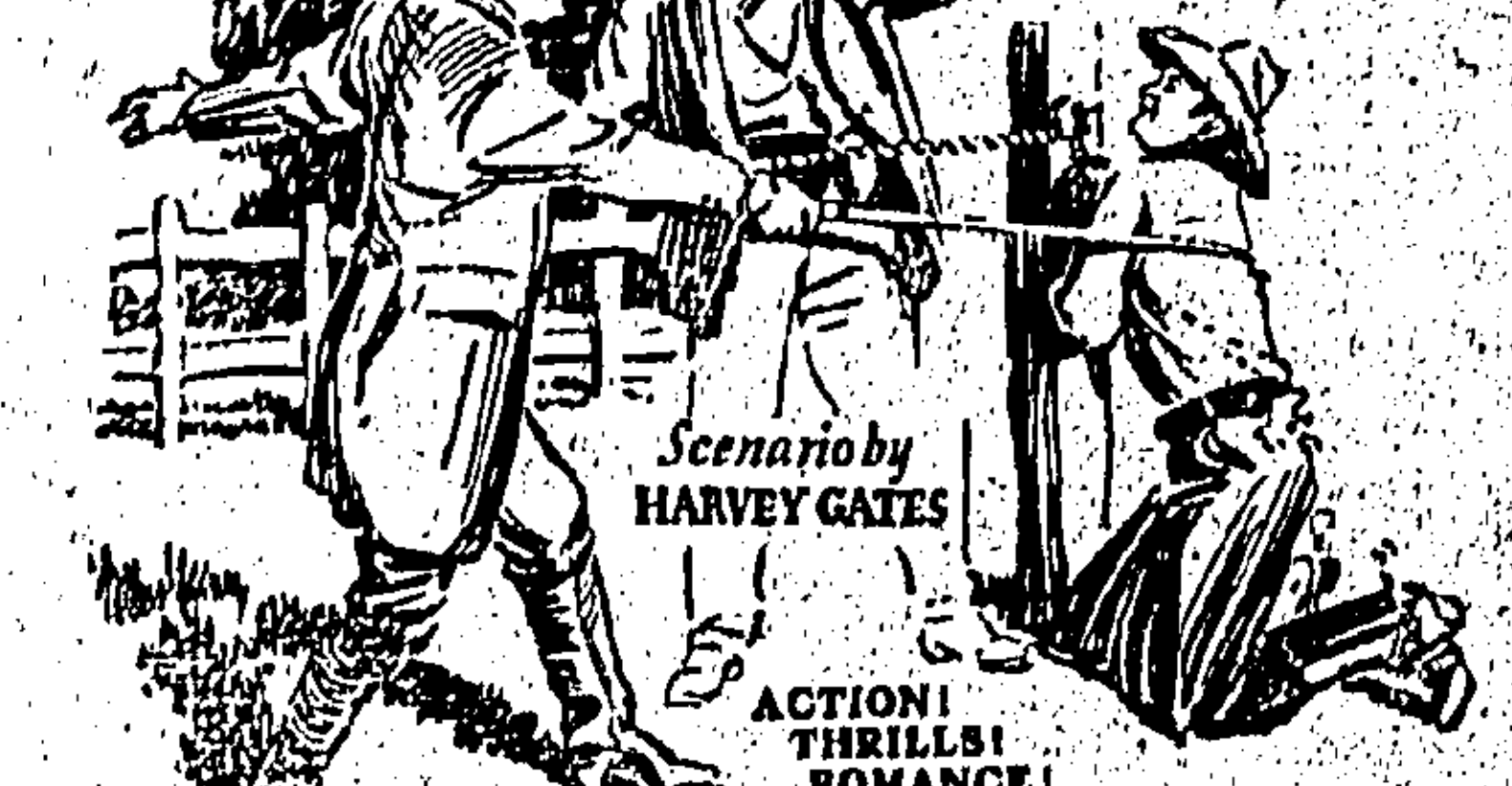
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